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AGENDA

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H. H. P. MELCHERS,
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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from October 23 to October 29, 1937, both days inclusive.

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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from October 18 to October 22, 1937 both days inclusive.

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LOOKING AHEAD

What is China's Future?

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—The letter signed BRITISH OBSERVER in your correspondence columns to-day commenting on your leader entitled "Consolidating Gains" is all very well as far as it goes, but it does no more than express a pious hope that out of China's present tribulations may arise a better understanding and spirit of co-operation between Chinese and foreigners. What seems to be needed is consideration in greater detail of some of the means by which this happier state of affairs may yet be achieved.

Your correspondent shows that he appreciates that the failure to secure in the past cordial co-operation between Chinese and foreigners in this country has been the result of faults on both sides, and he rightly infers that future progress in this direction can be attained only by a greater willingness by both to compromise over their differences of outlook and behaviour.

Personally, I feel that failure so far to establish a happy partnership, that would in fact have been of equal value to all concerned, has been due largely to obstinacy and short sightedness on both sides. The extraterritorial rights and other privileges which foreigners here still enjoy came into being as a result of the conditions existing in this country, and were no doubt at one time essential for the foreigner's protection, but they have, as BRITISH OBSERVER points out, created a feeling, justifiable or not, of real resentment in many Chinese minds. Even if those rights were abolished it would probably take a long while for anti-foreign feeling in China to be completely eliminated. On the other hand it must be pointed out that what passes for public opinion in China is very largely inspired from the top. If demonstrations, strikes or boycotts are wanted as evidence of popular feeling they are produced much too quickly to be the result of spontaneous action on the part of a population, still very largely illiterate. If the National Government were once convinced of the desirability of destroying anti-foreignism in their country there is little doubt that most encouraging results could be achieved in a fairly short space of time. It is noticeable, for instance, that on those occasions and in those areas where Chinese officials have been convinced of the need for, and the benefits to be derived from, genuine co-operation with foreigners much good has quickly been realised. Specially picked Chinese officials of undoubted qualities have been put in charge, with authority to deal effectively with any incident or individual likely to disturb the even tenor of international relations, and goodwill and harmony have as a result quickly been evident. As examples of this encouraging state of affairs might be mentioned the good relations existing between Chinese and foreigners in the Shanghai area under the administration of General Wu Te-chen and his successor Mr. O. K. Yui, in the Special District at Hankow and at Tsingtao.

It is as a rule the minor official "drest in a little brief authority" who makes himself a nuisance by his prejudices and obstinacy. Where, however, there is easy access to a higher official with a reputation for broad-minded impartiality and an unwillingness to tolerate abuses of office by his subordinates, things run smoothly and no occasion arises for misunderstanding between Chinese and foreigners.

To be fair it should be pointed out that too many of the latter clearly suffer from the fact that their contact with Chinese is largely confined to their dealings with domestic servants and subordinate members of their office staff who merely have to take orders from their employers. As a result they tend to acquire an unfortunate attitude of ill-concealed superiority in their relations with all Chinese. Some, indeed, do not yet seem to realise that the successful conduct of their business in this country is inseparable from the well-being of the Chinese people, and that Shanghai, which they are apt to consider in some mysterious way a region apart from the rest of the country, cannot long exist in isolation and go on indefinitely treading on its own tail.

Foreigners who regard the Chinese people and their affairs entirely through western spectacles are not unnaturally often disappointed in their experiences, and too often become captious in their criticisms. They fail to appreciate the difficulties of a country that can hardly expect to escape a kind of mental indigestion through the sudden impact of western ideas and methods upon the ancient civilisation of China.

This country is, in fact, passing through a most critical period of its history, which would in truth have been difficult enough without the added threat of external aggression. China, however, is wise enough to learn from the enemy. When Japan decided that she could no longer afford to live in isolation, and that she would seek to learn from the West, she took advantage of everything that the West could teach—except, it now seems, the spirit of tolerance and generosity—and spared no effort to obtain the services of those best qualified to undertake such instruction. China, too, in this period of transition needs the help and co-operation of foreigners, and has in fact shown for many years a willingness to employ them, but not always with entirely satisfactory results. That has, no doubt, been due partly to bad selection, but also too often to a refusal on the part of the Chinese to heed the advice of those they employ for this specific purpose.

For the time being China must bend all her energies to the destructive efforts of war, and the longer it lasts the greater the task of reconstruction to be undertaken in the future. It would be unwise to expect too much from the International Conference shortly to be convened in Brussels, and in any case the real burden of recovery when the war is over must necessarily be China's. Many foreigners in China will join with your correspondent BRITISH OBSERVER in hoping that, when that time comes, China's leaders will recognize the advantage of attempting to unlearn the mistakes of the past, and that the result may be a lasting bond of friendship and mutual co-operation between China and foreign countries.

A FOREIGN FRIEND.

Shanghai, Oct. 15.

NINE-POWER CONFERENCE

China Institute's Appeal

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—A telegraphic appeal was sent to-day by the China Institute of International Relations to the signatory governments of the Nine Power Treaty, presenting China's views regarding the Sino-Japanese conflict and the expectations of the Chinese people on the eve of the Brussels Conference.

The message read as follows.

In view of the impending convocation of the Nine Power Conference at Brussels, the China Institute of International Relations feels in duty bound to make the following statement clarifying a few of the outstanding juridical and political issues involved in the present Japanese invasion of China.

The present conflict is in reality a continuation of the Japanese invasion of Manchuria in 1931. After having seized Manchuria and Jehol and set up a bogus government therein, Japan commenced her activities by intrigues and by force to alienate North China from Chinese sovereignty. On no justifiable ground she increased the number of her garrison troops at Tientsin and Peiping to four times the quota allowed under the so-called Boxer Protocol of 1901. In passing, it may be noted that with the removal of the capital of China to Nanking and the change of residence of the various Foreign Missions, the necessity of the presence of foreign troops to guard the railway between Peiping and the sea has largely lost its significance. Having amassed a formidable force in North China, the Japanese militarists deliberately held manœuvres at points never sanctioned under the Protocol, thereby provoking on July 8th a conflict with Chinese forces stationed at the Marco Polo Bridge, west of Peiping. The Chinese Government made every effort for a peaceful settlement, going so far as to withdraw its troops, but the Japanese have extended warlike activities in accordance with their set programme to the provinces of Hopei, Chahar, Suiyuan, Shansi and Shantung, covering an area of several hundred thousand square miles, besides placing under military occupation the cities of Tientsin and Peiping, and the Haiho River leading from Tientsin to the sea.

In furtherance of her policy of military conquest of China and in conjunction with her northern campaign, Japan sought to cripple China's strength of resistance by bringing the war scourge to Shanghai, the financial and economic centre of China. On the pretext of the Hungjao Incident, which was provoked by armed Japanese naval men, who attempted on August 9 to break into the Chinese aerodrome, Japan concentrated within 48 hours a huge fleet around Shanghai and having landed reinforcements, launched fierce attacks upon Chapei, which is outside the International Settlement.

Such military operations carried on by the Japanese in large areas of Chinese territory for already well over three months cannot be justified on any ground of self-defence, but must be regarded as flagrant violation of Japan's obligations under the Nine Power Treaty, binding the signatories to respect China's territorial and administrative integrity, and the Pact of Paris renouncing war as an instrument of national policy.

A minor legal issue involved in the Shanghai situation has to do with the 1932 Truce Agreement, which in fact had long been violated by Japan prior to the present outbreak of fighting, when she constructed an enormous fortress on the border of the International Settlement and when she stationed troops at the Eight Character Bridge, outside the Settlement and in defiance of the terms of demilitarization. In view of Japan's invasion of North China and her treacherous methods of warfare, the Chinese Government, in fulfilling its primary duty of defending its territory, was constrained to order the necessitated movements of troops. This action constitutes in no wise a breach of the 1932 agreement, inasmuch as the latter never implied any permanent restriction on the movement of Chinese troops in Chinese territory. The responsibility for the undeclared war at Shanghai, like that of the invasion of North China, must therefore rest with Japan.

Since the outbreak of hostilities, Japanese militarists have concentrated their efforts in devastating all Chinese seaports, in declaring an illegal blockade of the entire Chinese coast, and relying on mechanized weapons of modern warfare, have extended indiscriminate aerial bombing to almost the entire domain of the Chinese Republic. The large scale murder of innocent civilians, including refugees, women and children, and the deliberate destruction of schools, hospitals, universities and other cultural institutions have aroused world-wide horror and disgust, and need no further recitation. Japan is theoretically still at peace with China, but even if a state of war is assumed, Japanese actions constitute flagrant violations of Article 25 of the Hague Resolutions, which prohibits bombardment by any means whatever of unfortified towns, etc., as well as the generally recognized principle of the law of war, which distinguishes non-combatants from combatants. The bombing of Red Cross units by Japanese airmen is even more despicable and violates the Geneva Convention of 1929.

Viewing the situation as a whole, we are compelled to conclude that Japan is continuing her aggressive programme of continental expansion commenced in Manchuria in 1931. As the victim of persistent aggression in one of its most violent forms, the Chinese nation is confronted with no alternative but to resist to the utmost of its ability. We believe, however, that the peace of the Far East affects the whole world, that the sanctity of treaties must be restored and that the security of nations must be of a collective nature; we therefore appeal to the Powers participating in the coming conference not to permit the establishment of a dangerous precedent such as the present Japanese invasion of China, but to devise a concerted course of action, including effective measures of sanction, vis-a-vis the aggressor. (signed) China Institute of International Relations.

Among those who signed this statement were Dr. W. W. Yen, veteran diplomat and former ambassador to the Soviet Union: Dr. J. Usang Ly, President of Chiaotung University, Dr. Herman C. E. Liu, President of University of Shanghai; Mr. Hollington K. Tong, Director of the Information Bureau of the Military Affairs Commission; Mr. K. P. Chen, General Mgr. of Shanghai Commercial & Savings Bank; Mr. Y. M. Chien, General Mgr. of the Joint Savings Society; Mr. T. K. Ho, Deputy Secretary of the S.M.C.; Dr. T. C Tai, Secretary-General of the Bank of China, and others.

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Exec. Secretary, China Institute of International Relations

Shanghai, Oct. 17.

SHANGHAI'S PLIGHT

Mass Meeting Proposal

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Mr. Bruce Lockhart in his letter, which appeared in the "North-China Daily News" of October 14, makes the suggestion that, before a mass meeting of Shanghai residents is called to consider steps to be taken to alleviate the present deplorable situation in which we find ourselves, it would be well to hold a preliminary public meeting in, say, the Wu Lien Teh Hall of the Royal Asiatic Society with a view to organizing the suggested mass meeting and securing a positive expression of Settlement opinion on this important matter. He suggests that I should take the lead in calling and presiding at such a preliminary meeting.

I would be perfectly willing to do this if I thought any useful purpose would be served by holding such a meeting. But I do not think it would. In the first place, if such a meeting were big enough to be worth anything as an expression of Shanghai public opinion, the Wu Lien Teh Hall would not be large enough to accommodate it, and in the second place, if it were not a big meeting, it would not be worth anything as an expression of Shanghai public opinion.

In any case a movement to hold a big mass meeting in Shanghai for the purpose of doing something towards getting the present war in China stopped is under way, and it is to be hoped that Shanghai residents will turn out *en masse* to attend it.

ARTHUR DE CARLE SOWERBY

Shanghai, Oct. 16

AERIAL BOMBING

Chinese Jurist's View

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Until "Japanese Jurist's View" appeared in your paper for October 10, we thought that the Nipponese professors would revise the generally accepted principles of international law to justify recent activities of their aerial, naval and military forces in China, activities condemned by practically all civilised and impartial nations. Dr. Shinobu however attempts to prove that those bombings and destructions of non-combatants and their properties do not violate the classical doctrine. Though it is not strange to read such expressions from Dr. Shinobu as he was officially pronounced by the Japanese naval admiral as having been brought over here by one party to the present dispute, it is very unfortunate that those partisan assertions should be regarded as "the highly technical issues" by your esteemed leaderette of October 11.

The learned Japanese jurist did not fail to admit that "there exists practically no established international code on the conduct of aerial warfare," but he did fail to recognize that "criteria of international law governing it (aerial warfare)" should be based in the absence of express provisions upon humanitarian conceptions as all existing rules and usages of international law of war have grown, and not upon those cruel and merciless bombardments defended by the Japanese jurist.

That the Japanese jurist should quote Hall and Oppenheim to support his thesis is most unfortunate to scholarship. These two authors wrote their texts thirty years ago when aerial warfare as it exists today was unknown. What they regarded as rules governing land and maritime hostities at that time are not totally accepted now even in respect to naval and military warfares, certainly not applicable to those devastating massacres of the Japanese bombing forces.

If Hall and Oppenheim should be invoked in the present issue, the Japanese activities should be regarded as none other than acts of international pirates. Both of them taught us hostile acts of large scale and of lengthy nature should not commence between independent states unless preceded by a formal declaration of war. Otherwise international law of peace governs. When international law of peace prevails in the relationship between two countries, the occupation and bombardment of other country's territory are not governed by international law of peace. They are acts of piracy and forces of all civilized nations may singularly or in combination be applied to eliminate them.

Let us pay respect for Tanaka's memorandum that the Japanese conquest of China is but the first step toward Japanese domination of the entire world. Let us honour the Japanese diplomat who once told an English statesman that "so long as Japan produced men of letters and philosophy, the Europeans called us barbarous; but now we have learned to kill, we are called civilized." When the Japanese naval, aerial and military cliques accomplish their task of conquering China and the world, let Dr. Shinobu be the Grotius and rewrite the whole texts on international law, to justify whatever acts the Japanese may have committed; he shall be the father of new international jurisprudence and respected by all the world. But it is useless now to cite Hall and Oppenheim who do not deserve the honour of expounding any theories on aeroplane bombings; they did not raise these "highly technical issues" at all.

TSENG YU-HAO

President of Anhui Provincial High Court (1929-1931) and of Kansu Provincial High Court (1931-1937).

Nanking, Oct. 12.

WANTON SABOTAGE

A Protest

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—There is an unwritten law which commands for a self-respecting man to abstain from denouncing mischievous doings of his compatriots through the medium of a foreign newspaper. To my regret, I am compelled to obviate this rule and feel myself justified in doing so for silence can bring about more evil than the break of conventional etiquette.

On Oct. 14, in your esteemed paper appeared a letter signed by Vsevolod Ivanov in which the latter gave a gallant support to Litvinoff whose morality was so brilliantly displayed at the recent session of the Relief Committee in Geneva.

As a matter of fact, the only relevant argument forwarded by Mr. Ivanov in favour of Mr. Litvinoff's morality consists in pointing out the mistrust towards the emigrants' leaders who could spend the charity funds for political purposes. This mistrust seems to him has motivated the refusal to help the destitute Russians in Shanghai. But if such suspicions were corroborated by facts the distribution of funds could be easily entrusted to a foreign society, such as Salvation Army. It must not be ignored at the same time that a strict co-operation of foreign charity societies and Russian organisations has existed for years in Shanghai, and so far no accusations have been brought for misusing of charity funds.

So the reproach to Mr. Litvinoff for "his non-adherence to the law of decency and humanity" remains intact and for the espousing a bad cause a more skilful master is wanted.

The defence of Mr. Litvinoff's case, however, is not the main point in the much involved letter of Mr. Ivanov. The latter is not suited to be a defender but is preeminent in the role of accuser.

There are emigrants who are taking part in Japanese activities against China.

Everybody knows that there is a group of Russian emigrants who are much far from being pro-Chinese.

For what purpose appeared these irresponsible statements which being irrelevant to the charity funds problem can only endanger the position of Russian emigrants and increase their hardships? Nowadays we learn often from newspapers about arrest of Russians on Chinese territory, and there have already been innocent victims of false accusations.

An outsider may be surprised at the fact that a Russian sets traps for his own countrymen.

This paradox, however, can be easily elucidated. Vsevolod Ivanov, turned recently to the communist faith, does his utmost to serve well his "new masters." His "confessions" have been already published in the local Soviet press, and now the new proselyte takes part in the campaign launched by the Soviet press which has found it opportune during the present Sino-Japanese conflict to exert pressure on Russian emigrants by arousing indignation of the Chinese people against pretended emigrant pro-Japanese feelings.

In conclusion, I dare to say that the advice of Mr. Ivanov addressed to the emigrants calling them "to reconsider their attitude" so as to avoid the refusal of the Nansen Committee in the future will only provoke a smile amongst the honest emigrants whose political views are not conditioned by pecuniary influences.

M. PHILIPPOFF

Shanghai, Oct. 16.

***Several letters have been held over owing to pressure on space.

Sixty Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF OCTOBER 18, 1877

Dr. Macgowan made, on Tuesday evening, a suggestion for recruiting the collection of birds at the Museum, which the Committee and the Honorary Curator will doubtless think it worth while to follow out. He remarked that, as on the coast of Florida, vast quantities of water fowl both from the coast and from the ocean are found killed at the base of light-houses, so immense numbers of birds dash themselves against the Lammock Light-house near Swatow. Here then is a place whence ornithological specimens might be obtained for our Museum, such as we might in vain wait for by depending on a gun or snare. The Customs Department, if appealed to, would no doubt enable us to enrich our already excellent collection, from this source.

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The Southern line seems to be working very irregularly just now, owing, it is reported, to some defect between Singapore and Penang. We hear, however, from Hongkong, that the repairing steamer was expected at Singapore on the 16, when there would probably be a complete interruption of two days, while the damaged portion was being replaced. There seems to be remarkable delay, too, in repairing the new Penang-Rangoon cable, which was looked forward to as an alternative line, but which has we believe been broken for nearly four months. The Northern lines were damaged on Friday and Saturday last by a storm (probably the the same which we experienced here last week), but they were at once repaired and are now working satisfactorily.

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The Woman's Page

A MAYFAIR NOTEBOOK

PRINCESS ELIZABETH IN THE PALACE KITCHEN: MORE ITEMS FOR THE HOME CARD-INDEX: MIDDLE-AGE FASHIONS

By Philine

London, Sept. 17.

Holidaymakers are gradually returning to town and Mayfair homes are being swept and garnished in readiness for the Little Season. Soon, a round of entertaining will be in full force again and, though most of our Overseas guests will have left London, the pre-Christmas social round promises to be a full and interesting one.

Buckingham Palace is still without its Royal master, mistress and Court, yet it is a hive of industry. Workmen are busy with the King's new room, where he will in future transact most of his State affairs. Her Majesty's private apartments are being redecorated, including her private drawing-room where she entertains her family and many of her intimate friends.

Princess Elizabeth's needs in the home have not been forgotten and she will probably find a space reserved for her in the Palace kitchen. For these vast, old-fashioned kitchens are being modernized and among the many improvements is now likely to be a small-scale cooking stove. This will be used by the little girl during her cooking lessons, which she will take under expert guidance this winter.

A Born Cook

She knows something about the art of cooking already, of course, for her mother is a skilled cook. Sometimes on rainy days the Queen, as the Duchess of York, would come into the nursery of her old Piccadilly home and give her children a lesson in baking cakes, or in the making of some simple Scottish dish. For a miniature toy cooking-stove was included among the Princess's nursery toys.

And, now, Princess Elizabeth has asked if she can have regular lessons on the subject. No doubt she has not forgotten the Christmas before King George V, her beloved grandfather, died, when she was allowed to take a hand at icing a Christmas cake at Sandringham. Several of the staff, at that time, watching her strenuous efforts to stir the mixture, remarked that the Princess had "the wrist of a born cook," very firm and flexible for her age and light in touch.

Borrowed Dishes

The successful hostess of to-day makes more and more use of her kitchen card-index, which has become quite a complicated affair. It is no longer simply an index of her favourite cooking recipes. Modern cookery schools teach their pupils to note down on their cards various four-course menus and exactly how long the meal will take to prepare, as well as how many minutes or hours each dish will need cooking.

Again, on the index will go those dishes which have been borrowed from a guest, and a second card will record dishes eaten in a guest's house. These references may be an obvious necessity if you do not want to give Mrs. A., for instance, the same sweet that you have enjoyed in her own house. All the same, this particular sweet could safely be put before Mrs. B.

Then, there are the likes and dislikes of various regular guests to be noted down, and where more properly than on the card index? When two or three of these friends are coming to lunch, their cards are brought out beforehand and certain dishes are carefully avoided. According to world-famous M. Marcel Boulestin, a one-hour dinner is the first thing for the young hostess to master; and by one hour he means the time taken to cook the meal and not to eat it. He suggests for such a menu: grapefruit, fillets of sole with tomatoes, parsley and lemon, with chicken cooked with little onions, mushroom, sherry and cream, then apples flamed in liqueur.

Women's Favourite Topics

As if it were not worry enough to arrange menus each day, there are busy hostesses whose job it is to discover what women want to talk about, or to hear talked about, during their meals. Expert hostesses who are organizing the annual gathering of the National Council of Women, to be held in Bournemouth next month, are tackling the additional problem of luncheon programmes.

After much investigation they have come to the conclusion that clothes, film and stage stars, local lore and discoveries are the favourite feminine talk of the day. With these conclusions in mind, therefore, they have hit upon the idea of dividing up each day of the Council gathering into two or three parties, at which speakers will talk on such widely different subjects as "The Story of English Dress," "Stage and Screen" and, for local interest, on the effect of coast erosion on Bournemouth Bay. If the Council, representing 2,000,000 of their fellow countrywomen, are in the mood for more, there will be further talks on music in a seaside town and women's place in public health.

At Forty

A dress designer friend, whose name in the ever widening circle of London's chic women is a household word, has some good advice to give the woman of 40 and over. She suggests that round fortyish one should take a long look at oneself in a good mirror, and, if necessary, alter certain parts of one's appearance that may have become a habit since girlhood.

And by this she does not mean that one should greet middle-age in matronly toques, drab colours or stodgy shoes. But at 40 it is certainly wiser to dress beyond rather than behind one's years; and at this time of life it is as well when buying anything new to ask oneself whether it is too young in appearance or not.

There will be several frocks made in simple youthful styles which one has grown accustomed to wearing: these styles should in future be left severely alone. That habit of choosing such frocks must be broken at all costs. A meticulous attention to detail should now take the place of mere ordinary prettiness and good looks. As middle age approaches, one should aim more at an air of extreme soigneness and leave the pretty-pretty clothes alone. On the other hand, there is no need to be tied down to black or dull colours. Adopt the little coat fashion wherever possible (it is kind to the lost waistline, if it is lost).

These Handbags are New

"Satchell" handbags are a boon and a blessing when one's hands are full of parcels after a shopping expedition. They have come to us from America and you just swing your bag over your shoulder like a satchel. Larger handbags are indicated. One flat black bag in suede is almost a foot square. This has a long rope-like handle with a gold clip. Another long handle was a gilt, triple chain, and could be looped over the wrist bracelet fashion. Suede, antelope and pigskin are the smartest materials. Black is a leading colour, with two new shades, "Copper Penny" and "Bronze Green."

Little black suede handbags with yellow metal clasps resemble baby Gladstone bags; roly-poly and square box shapes in suede are practical as well as smart. They hold everything and yet never look out of shape.

Black is more important than ever this coming season. Marlene Dietrich, Paramount star, wears this subtle dinner dress with a slim, straight skirt and a short-sleeved jacket. The use of metal cloth, laced back and forth and tucked into the belt of the jacket, introduces an original highlight.

C. W. C. ACTIVITIES REVIEWED

Mme. Kung and Mme. O. K. Yui Guests at Meeting

That the Chinese Women's Club is now helping and supplying 33 hospitals was reported at the October general meeting held recently in the club quarters, 999 Bubbling Well Road. All these hospitals are caring for wounded soldiers.

The report was made by Mrs. Ernest Tso chairman of the first aid committee, the meeting being presided over by Mrs. P. C. Yang. Miss Sze Liang, a woman lawyer who has been identified with national salvation work, gave an inspiring address on the work that women could do in the present crisis.

Mme H. H. Kung, wife of the Minister of Finance, and Mrs. O. K. Yui, wife of the Mayor, were present, displaying keen interest in the activities of the Club. Other guests entertained were about fifteen American women, including missionaries and teachers, who had been forced to evacuate their homes in the interior because of the hostilities.

The hospital relief work consisted of visiting to cheer the men and investigation of needs which the Club supplied wherever possible. Among articles distributed since the last meeting in September were blankets, cotton balls, bandages, gauze, pyjamas, tooth brushes, soap, fruit and biscuits. Blankets and clothing had also been sent to the Community Church centre which is caring for refugee children.

Visit to Hospitals

Mrs. Elsie Lee Soong reported on her visit to the war front to bring comforts to the troops. There were blankets, padded cotton coats and bandages packed in the truck kindly loaned by Mme Kung. All these gifts were received with great pleasure and appreciation. Mrs. Soong also told of the visits made, together with other members, to the hospitals on the Double Tenth, China's National Day. Cigarettes and apples were distributed to the wounded.

From Sept. 20, cash donations from friends and members of the Club had reached $2,542.40 testifying to the interest in its work, Mrs. P. W. Kuo, the treasurer, reported. Many gifts of old clothing, had also been received. The generous contribution of all nett profits from the publishers of "Shopping News" for the Club's war relief activities, was also mentioned. This particular donation has been set aside for the refugee camp for women and children, sponsored by the C.W.C. in co-operation with the Y.W.C.A.

All these donations were voluntary and are itemized as follows: Mrs. Y. W. Lee, $10; Mrs. Leon Kwok, $5; Mr. Suffert, $6; Mrs. S. T. Woo, $10; Mrs. P. C. Yang, $100; Mrs. C. J. Waung, $10; Mrs. Bob Kan, $100; Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Wei, $1,000; Mrs. Z. D. Zau, $5; Sister in the Gospel of Christ, $20; Mrs. W. H. Tan, $12; Mr. Kwoh Ung-sih, $10; Mr. Ning Tsien-chen, $200: Total, $2,542.40. This is for the period from September 20 up till October 11.

Other contributions were: Nanyang Bros. Tobacco Co., ten boxes cigarettes; Mr. and Mrs. Yang, old clothes; Mrs. Leon Kwok, eight sweaters; Mrs. Knight, three boxes old clothes; Mrs. Z. L. Loo, 100 old towels; Miss Chao Siu-tseng, ten padded coats; Mr. Yang Shun-chun, six padded coats; Mr. M. N. Yang, 35 suits; Mrs. Chi, 46 suits.

THE LESTER CHINESE HOSPITAL

Women's Auxiliary Report for September

It has not been found possible during the past year to publish a monthly report of the activities of this organization but since so many non-members have come forward to help us in this emergency perhaps a report would be of special interest.

A few members only of linen committee are still in Shanghai working to supply the hospital with much needed bed-linen, clothing, bandages and dressings. Generous donations of sheets, bandages or clothing have been received from Mrs. McClennan, Mrs. Sia, Miss Alice Peet, Miss Knudsen, Mrs. H. L. Hsia, Mrs. Gardner-Crane, Mrs. Penfold, the B.W.A. Hospital Aid Department, Mrs. Stock, Mrs. Arthur Young, Mr. Yih Chi-chen and Mr. C. L. Liu. Our greatest thanks are due to an unknown donor who deposited three bundles of long-cloth in the tailor's room and departed without an acknowledgement of his gift. The three bundles together were worth to us about $250.

The linen committee wishes to thank a number of friends who work on Hospital or Women's Auxiliary material and have made 121 Canton flannel coats, 200 pillow cases, 110 baby sheets, 58 large sheets and numerous other articles urgently needed. Our warmest thanks are due to these kind friends: Mrs. Anderson, Miss Alice Peet, Mmes Gardner-Crane, Paulsen, Leinung, Jorge, Sia and Arthur Young. The Mien Wha Thread Co. who are now refugees, work daily for the Linen Committee and are most valuable helpers.

A small room has been lent to the Women's Auxiliary as a temporary hospital work room. Here two or three volunteers work daily rolling bandages, culting gauze and making swabs. Miss Garrison, Mrs. Coughlin, Mr. T. S. Koo and Mr. K. S. Huang have made themselves very useful in this department.

Patients' Library

A small group of senior boys from the Public School for Chinese attend at the Hospital daily at 1.30 p.m. and take round to the patients a trolley full of books, issue new and collect old ones, note patients who desire to have letters written and those who wish to learn a few characters. Later these letters are written and a few simple characters taught to the few who cannot read. This work has been much appreciated by the patients, and in one or two cases, lost relatives have been found as a result of it. A very sad little boy was surprised and delighted one day to see his parents. They had been found by one of the letter-writers.

Our best thanks are due to Mrs. Eldredge, who attended daily for a fortnight and gave instructions in first-aid to the library boys and a few of their friends—also students of the Public School for Chinese. This service was much appreciated by the students.

Car Service

Since there is no hospital car the doctors and nurses often do not leave the building during the short two-hour free period. Certain friends have placed their cars at the disposal of the hospital for the use of staff during certain stated periods, usually the afternoon. Numbers of the staff have derived great benefit from this arrangement and are most grateful to Miss Hodgson, Mrs. Coughlin, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. A. R. Harris and Mr. A. F. T. Holland.

Miscellaneous gifts have been provided through the generosity of an anonymous donor. They include six pieces of Canton flannel, 42½ yards rubber sheeting, two sterilizing drums, 120 splints, 34 wooden trestles and six air cushion rings.

Emergency Cupboard

It was thought highly desirable that a large supply of sterilized dressings and certain drugs and medical supplies should be kept in the casualty department of the hospital in case another great emergency should arise. Through the generosity of Mr. C. V. Starr, Miss Van der Starr this has already been provided, Messrs. Dodwell & Co. having supplied a steel cupboard at cost price.

We much regret that the most beneficial work of occupational therapy has had to be given up as the organizer, Mrs. Grant, has left Shanghai. Occupations were planned for certain patients indicated by the doctor in charge. Anyone with a knowledge of handwork could make themselves useful in this department. Mrs. Grant made a great success of this work, although she did not speak Chinese. Anyone wishing to learn more about it and willing to volunteer for this service should call to see Miss Adlam, Room 334, Lester Chinese Hospital.

In conclusion we wish to thank all our members for their loyal support in this time of emergency and the numerous kind friends, as yet outside our ranks, who are working so effectively for us.

We should be greatly helped if any member residing in Shanghai would call at the Hospital or write. Our foreign and Chinese Secretaries have left Shanghai and we have no list of members and addresses to refer to Chinese members are specially asked to communicate with Miss Edith M. Adlam, vice-president, Women's Auxiliary, Sister Chinese Hospital.

A SHANGHAI LETTER

How Women Incline to Meet Economic Necessity: Cuts to be Conducted with Caution

By Hester

Christabel dear, we are getting along with our schemozzle nicely so far as I can gather after grappling with the news daily, but to a mere woman these military situations seem vastly different from ordinary life. When we get a set-back in the home we know that we are certainly down one, but in matters military it would appear that one contestant's gain by no means indicates a loss for his opponents—quite the reverse, for the enemy has apparently taken advantage of the situation and made a brilliant strategic retreat which was just what he had been manœuvring for for some time. Why one side or the other does not go on retreating until it has achieved a smashing victory is beyond me, in fact I cannot sleep at night for wondering who is going to win the next reverse.

Bette Davies, who, it is acknowledged by most ladies, has excellent taste in dressing herself, on this occasion has selected a black creation. It will be noted that a corsage of orchids relieve the effect.

Feeling the Pinch

This crisis, however, is affecting us all tremendously and those of us who have not as yet heard the wolf barking at our doors are anticipating his shadow at any moment and are getting all bothered in our usual feminine way. As is customary the world over in states of emergency the reaction of the average woman is that she feels something must be done about it, and first of all economies must be effected. I remember a charity collector at home once telling me that in her experience when a national or local crisis threatened women first retrenched by cutting down their charitable subscriptions and next reduced the charwoman's working hours. How the poor charlady reduced her expenses I did not learn, but doubtless the maid of the household found that extra chores came her way. If that isolated case is typical of homeside women I can assure you that Shanghai women are in charitable advance of that school of thought. All the same I have heard of some queer efforts at economy even here.

Fortunate Few

Naturally in all cities, whether in a state of distress or not, there are always a fortunate few who will never feel the pinch of want be the plight of people ever so bad, but these happy individuals will go slashing and cutting without rhyme or reason, upsetting everybody in the home and disrupting their little lives without achieving anything but chaos. Take our mutual friend, Mary, for instance: Now her private income from home at this exchange puts her in a very enviable position financially, yet she is aghast at food prices and is cutting down everywhere. Her boy brought her 30 eggs for $1 this morning and she grieved over the time when she could get 50 for the same amount.

I reminded her that she was getting nearly $17 for each of her pounds from home and that at that rate her eggs were about fifteen for sevenpence, and that if she were home now they would cost her nearly threepence each, but she was not appeased. Then she went frantically through her wardrobe and declared she was going to buy no clothes this season. She needed a winter coat badly but she would give the money instead to charity—at least some of the money, she hedged. That sounded most laudable on the face of it, but if the Marys of this city are going to take that line all along what are the dressmakers going to do? After all they have their rents to meet as well as other expenses: they have already bought their winter stocks of materials—largely with the Marys in mind, and if nobody buys anything how are the poor dears going to pay the prevailing high prices for their food?

Another friend of mine came lightly from the telephone recently and informed her husband that that was Vera ringing up, her Russian hairdresser, who was in the habit of visiting her weekly. "I have told her," she said brightly, "that this is a time when we cannot waste money on our toilets and beauty treatments, and that she must in future come to me once a month only until the trouble is over." It was disconcerting for such worthy intent to be met with hubby's: "And how is Vera going to meet the situation if all her clients do that?" "Well," stammered the wife, "I will give the money I save—or some of it—to charity." "All very well," countered the annoying man. "but Vera, you tell me, has her mother to keep and isn't it a charity to keep her going as usual? that is if you can regard average payment for good work as charity at all." And that was that in one particular household, but as yet I have not heard the sequel.

Save Sanely

All this would seem to indicate, Christabel, that we ought to do some economical thinking rather on Chancellor-of-the-Exchequer lines, which will be hard on women who, like myself, get hopelessly befuddled when high finance is discussed. I can only dimly perceive what G.B.S. is driving at re money and expenditure in his book written specially for the intelligent of our species when he comes down and talks of flatirons and frying-pans. I always have to apply his concrete example when it is necessary for me to grapple with exchange. You know that passage where he says that there was a time in Europe when it was better to buy a frying-pan, even though you had two others, than to save your money, for a frying-pan to-day is a frying-pan to-morrow and will fry things (providing you have anything to fry), but the money it cost to buy yesterday may have depreciated to such an extent that it will buy nothing to-day and is consequently useless.

I thought of Mr. Shaw's frying-pan during my conversation with Mary and parodied: "Why not buy your coat this winter Mary, for if it costs you $200 now it may, if exchange goes phut, cost you $500 next year. Besides, you can give your old one to the K.D.S. and you will also have had a clear saving of $300. Correct me if my reasoning is not sound but that is how it seems to a mere woman who is mathematically so inefficient that she must needs use her fingers to count when adding up her market book.

It would be a pity if I incited you to indiscriminate buying through my gossip. We all of us have inclinations to do exactly as we please and find excellent excuses for so doing, persuading ourselves that we reach our ends by the road of duty instead of that of desire. There is something of the sophist about us all perhaps. Then reflect, Mary, whom I have quoted, is one of the fortunate few here, whereas our conflict has cast a heavy shadow of want over our Martha's sons of whom there are many. When we see the hordes seeking, probably for the first time in their lives, assistance from the various charitable societies many of us must be led to thinking along the line of John Bradford and saying:—"There, but for the grace of God, goes myself." National Societies' resources, as well as other charitable associations are strained to the limits this year: it is hoped that the wonderful spirit of generosity which is abroad will meet all needs.

Real Poverty

I have for some years noted a silly affectation of poverty abounding, not only in Shanghai but at home too. "We haven't a bean," "we cannot afford," and "poor people like ourselves," are phrases which have been on many lips, and noting the comfort surrounding the speakers one felt they ought to have remained silent. I have always felt that type of talk was a specious sort of "swank," and a very silly affectation, but, believe me, many are going to experience the real thing in poverty during the coming winter.

Well Christabel, in case you think I am preaching and that such is not fitting from a heathen such as your correspondent, let me say that I am merely bitten by the bug of apprehension which is virulent now, but I repeat, many times I say to myself when I contemplate the distressed "there, but for the grace of God, goes Hester." May the grace long be extended and the wrath which overcame the unhappy preacher referred to, mercifully prevented. It wouldn't be the same kind of wrath for they don't burn heretics at Smithfield any more, but what is going to happen in Shanghai goodness only knows.

You will have read our Consular notification this week and observed that we women are still unwanted in this city. If you find time drag heavily during your enforced absence buy some wool and do some knitting for our chilly poor.

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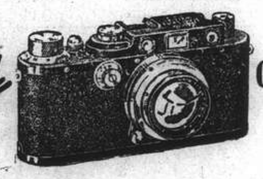
Leica  CAMERA

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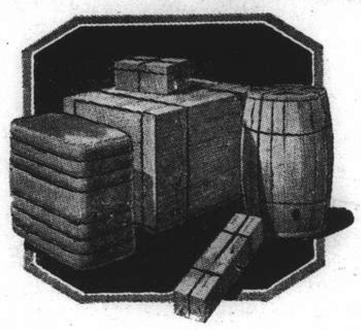

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DEATH

BOSSUET.—On October 16, 1937, at his residence, 737 Avenue du Roi Albert, Shanghai, ALEXANDRE GABRIEL BOSSUET, aged 59 years, beloved father of Joseph, Raymond, Madeleine, Gabriel and Louise. Requiem Mass at St. Pierre's Church, Avenue Dubail, on Tuesday, October 19, at 8.30 a.m. Interment to follow at Lokawei Cemetery. All friends are invited to attend. No flowers by request, but donations may be sent to the Relief Fund for Refugees.

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PLAIN SPEAKING

Mr. Anthony Eden has followed President Franklin Roosevelt's excellent example by speaking plainly on the fundamental issues now confronting a harassed world. Mr. Roosevelt called for a return to observance of the pledged word. Mr. Eden underlined that appeal, gave it the full endorsement of the British nation and significantly went further. Important as was the Foreign Secretary's emphasis on the need for international co-operation in upholding good faith, his direct criticism of policies at work in Europe and the Far East requires particular study. His condemnation of unlawful activities which are undertaken in the unashamed conviction that they cannot be resisted owing to serious international distractions elsewhere, will be fully appreciated not only in this part of the world, for it is obvious that a similar technique is hampering the peace-construction of Europe. Hitherto there has been a tendency to accept this opportunist obliquity as an incorrigible factor in the breakdown of the collective system. Mr. Eden rightly points out that it is in itself a major evil which demands treatment if the world's body politic is to recover sanity. To construe such a firm statement of the obvious as menacing to any nation which claims to be sincere in working for peace and stability is to run the risk of entertaining an uneasy conscience. When a man in Mr. Eden's position ventures to indulge in so specific a reference to current tendencies it is reasonable to assume that he is prepared to support his allusions by even more specific data should occasion arise. He is in effect inviting democratic countries to face the dangers of the present situation by adopting no less forthright a view of realities than the spokesmen of "other political faiths". Those spokesmen cannot complain if they find their arguments and challenges met on the public platform, just as they themselves, with a greater freedom of personal expression, substitute the demagogic harangue for the diplomatic message in expounding the principles of their international relationships.

Hitherto the process of removing disagreements as between the democratic countries and those who prefer non-democratic methods has been terribly one-sided. The rattling of sabres has become a commonplace with governments which openly deride the need for them to observe the restrictions placed on their actions by accepted engagements. Mr. Eden wants to rattle no sabre. He gives a weighty retort, however, by reminding his countrymen that national unity, backed up a readiness to pay the price of self-sacrifice for peace is the only practical course to secure self-preservation. He clearly is of the opinion, too, that by those means alone can the world once more find co-operation in the common task of restoring faith in and fidelity to canons of good faith. Mr. David Lloyd George's fiery comment indicates the delicacy of the situation which the Foreign Secretary is endeavouring to handle in the closest co-operation with France. There is ground for anxiety. There is no ground for despairing pessimism. Despite the facile irritation aroused by Mr. Eden's speech in Rome and Berlin, it is difficult to imagine that serious statesmanship will allow itself to be betrayed into an intransigeance which would belie its most recent protestations. To suggest that Mr. Eden has issued an ultimatum is to invite ridicule from anyone who has made a systematic study of speeches which have been expounding the aspirations of the totalitarian states during the last two or three years. The issue has been fairly and squarely stated by the British Minister who has just received from his chief the warmest commendation ever given to a Foreign Secretary in a time of crisis. The world in fact is being called upon to witness the close-knit solidarity of the three great democratic powers—France, Great Britain and the United States—in leading the free democracies of the West not in a policy of aggression but in the cultivation of efforts for asserting the individual liberties of nations based on a common solicitude for international morality and for the right of each to determine its own internal polity. Opposition to such a programme can proceed only from a desire to repudiate the very bases of civilized institutions.

How far the preliminary step toward recovery of Europe's equilibrium will be successfully taken in the present meeting of the Non-Intervention Committee it is difficult to gauge. Mr. Eden's judicial appraisement of the situation should add strength to the influence which he may personally bring to bear in presiding over to-morrow's resumption of the sittings. Fortunately Count Grandi has expounded Italy's case with the skilled suavity which has consistently distinguished his diplomatic utterances. No man can better reconcile the asperities of a dictatorial régime with the more polished technique of his profession. The suggestion that the withdrawal of volunteers should be initiated by the token method seems to offer a useful compromise between the plan of a wholesale withdrawal and the definitely unsatisfactory device of restricting the withdrawal to a specified number of volunteers. Italian forces with General Franco are so greatly in excess of the volunteers on the Loyalist side that if a partial withdrawal were to be regarded as a conclusive solution, the principle of Non-Intervention would be farcically flouted. France and Great Britain are confronted by two concrete problems: the restoration to Spain of the right for Spaniards exclusively to settle Spain's constitutional destiny; the elimination of a standing threat to the integrity of the Mediterranean as now presented by the lavish disposal of Italian armed forces on soil which is not Italian. They have reached a firm agreement on the issues involved. They have to consider how they can best provide the means for Signor Benito Mussolini to make a graceful retirement without imperilling his Government's prestige. Where prestige is concerned the task of reasonable diplomacy is more than ordinarily difficult.

H.M.S. DANAE AND U.S.S. AUGUSTA

The departure of H.M.S. Danae from Shanghai severs a pleasant Whangpoo-born relationship. Side-by-side have the Danae and the U.S. Flagship Augusta been moored. Like gigantic houseboats at Henley they have mitigated the strenuous raucousness further downstream at night by the regatta-like gaiety of their lights and the soothing melody of their music as it was wafted across to the troubled, desolate, sandbagged and unquiet Bund. Their officers and men have foregathered ashore and on occasions when more serious matters have intervened the co-operation between the two ships has been wonderfully cordial and spontaneous. In token of this spirit Captain L. E. H. Maund personally presented to the Augusta a trophy subscribed by all members of the Danae's complement to commemorate a much-appreciated association. Captain Maund indicated his sense of the remarkable co-operation which now exists between the British and American navies—a co-operation not artificially imposed from above, but naturally generated from the vicissitudes of a common interest and outlook. The Danae had special proof of this admirable comradeship when, on arriving at Adelaide for the centenary celebrations of South Australia she received a warm welcoming signal from the U.S.S. City of California. When from Australia she entered China waters, Admiral Yarnell's greeting to her showed that there would be continuity of Anglo-American naval co-operation. As she starts for the homeward voyage she will part from the Augusta with the happy feeling of having made a friendship which will add to her regrets at leaving distressed Shanghai.

HOME FAILURES

Saturday's results in the four divisions of the English League were remarkable for the failure of home teams to take full points. This appears specially in the First and Second Division results which respectively gave only four and five home victories out of eleven engagements. In each division three visiting teams went back with a full bag of two points apiece. Apart from Brentford's convincing defeat of Charlton Athletic the biggest surprise of the day was at Highbury where the Arsenal actually had to share points and two goals with Portsmouth who have yet to win a match. Hardly less notable was Grimsby Town's defeat of Huddersfield on the losers' own ground. Another upset was at Nottingham in the Third Division where the County yielded two points to the humble Bournemouth side. It was not a good day for leading teams as the success of Bury at Chesterfield, Coventry City's inability to prevent their opponents from making a draw of a six goal match at Swansea, and lowly Exeter's daring in scoring four goals without reply from their formidable visitors from Mansfield, clearly show. The tussle between the two Sheffield teams produced another notable visiting success in the Wednesday's capture of two points.

GAS THEORIES

For the convenience of all concerned it will be hoped that the theories to which both contestants in the Sino-Japanese struggle have now subscribed on the subject of the enemy's employment of gas are founded on insecure premises. The Chinese authorities appear to have obtain medical certificates to the effect that wounded Chinese soldiers are suffering from exposure to gas. The Japanese Command has produced elaborate reasons for imputing to gas the performances of a certain shell presented to the Japanese lines by Chinese artillery. Somehow or other the outsider's faith in the better nature of both parties persists in offering scepticism. This does not imply a disbelief in the energetic propaganda thus generated. It merely emanates from the knowledge that it is quite easy for experts to be deceived by manifestations which appear to support the gas theory. For example entanglement in a smoke screen may give results which may be confused with gas burns, although fortunately not nearly so harmful. Unhappily, in spite of all prohibitions, gas seems to be an expected accessory to the modern warrior's equipment. All that is hoped at present is that it has not yet found its way to this curious embroilment which is not officially recognized as warfare.

A Country Diary

Oct. 16.—Lying awake in the darkness is not a pleasant performance, and it always makes me think how appropriate it is that the Bible practically begins by stating that God said let there be light: and there was light: it is all very fine to say that the night has a thousand eyes and the day but one, that sort of thing does not count on a black cloudy night.... and yet it is just on such a night that migrating birds see fit to pass us by at close quarters, when their strange voices can be heard. Listening to the sounds made by these larger birds, I find it very difficult to distinguish one from another... they are all light sounds with open vowels, just as if there were some kind of international language for birds navigating at night. The Snipe, for example, does not give his familiar *charrk* such as we hear when we disturb him in the fields, but instead makes a light, almost squeaky sound which we might write as *chik* or *zit*: the *ew-ew-ewk* of a questing short-eared owl is loud and distinctive, but it is not all unlike the softer *tew-tewk* of a passing Greenshank.... which might in turn be mistaken for the voice of many other similar waders. What are all these voices of the night, and to whom do they belong? Sometimes I can get the plaintive *whee-oo* of a Widgeon, the *pee-eet* of Plover, or the whining *phwuei* of Curlew and Whimbrel, but there many sounds I can give no name to at all. "Ships that pass in the night and speak each other in passing," I suppose; but although that has a poetical ring about it, it does not make the sounds of a dark black night any more interesting: but when "God's eldest daughter" takes charge once more, the faint noises of the night skies fade away....a cheeky Hawfinch gets into a tree and says good morning after his own curious fashion; Mynahs whistle and Blackbirds sing; and life becomes more bearable again.

In Parenthesis

Dear Old Cal Again

"AFTER achieving their objective, the Chinese soldiers *did not choose* to stay in their newly occupied area, but retired to their original positions."

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More Blood Curdling

"THE foreign controlled Shanghai of to-day stands within a ring of opposing military forces, and all the wishing in the world will not alter the fact that those of us within that ring are exposed to stray bullets, and anti-aircraft shells and, perhaps, to wind deflected or badly aimed bombs from aeroplanes."—*From a contemporary.*

It's a horrid thought, but cheer up, dearie, you can always dodge those things when you see them coming.

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Why Not?

JUST another delightful caption:—

MEDICAL GROUP
WILL DELOUSE
REFUGEES HERE

And while they're about it they might delouse this "Impending Doom."

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A Wise Precaution

A CONTEMPORARY goes on record as stating that the Japanese are drawing on newly-made munitions.

And quite right too, no sensible commander would dream of using up all his matured-in-the-wood stuff straight away.

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Now you tell one.

REPLYING to a question posed by one of the correspondents whether the continued bombing of Chinese positions in Chapei had any effect, the spokesman answered that the principal effect has been a great demoralization of the Chinese forces.

So much is this the case, In Parenthesis is able to confirm, that the Chinese forces have been so thoroughly frightened that they are quite unable to leave Chapei.

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And Talking of Delousing

WHAT about this actually issued by Domei, the Japanese news agency?.....

Tokyo, Oct. 15.—(Domei) Four leading figures in Japan's public lice left here to-day for the United States and Europe.....

With the descent of hundreds of thousands of Japanese into China can it be said now that the latter is suffering from Phthiriasis? That's what we call a lousy question.

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What Ho!

The "China Press" had the following in one of its editorials:—

"The only Japanese newspaper in Shanghai, "The Shanghai United News," has taken the liberty to belittle the progress which has been witnessed in the Chinese public subscription to the Liberty Bonds. What this war-time upstart in the journalistic world thinks of this patriotic loan is of no interest to us; it is more than welcome to entertain any illusion either for self-gratification or for self-deception."

So now the wretched little squirt knows exactly where it gets off.

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We Like this one

We read in the municipal Gazette the other day:—

Owners of factories who have moved machinery and plant into the Western District of the International Settlement are invited to communicate with the Industrial Section of the Shanghai Municipal Council for advice and suggestions.

How nize! We can fancy an owner of plant and machinery writing in as follows:—

"I am troubled with housemaid's knee. What can I do about it?"

They will then look up Form No. 13a "Knee, Housemaid's" reading simply:—"Sack the housemaid."

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Correspondence

IN PARENTHESIS

NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS

SIR,—With reference to ANTI-COCKROACH'S plea for a recipe for the extermination of those awful pests, I would like to offer a few suggestions. These methods are a bit brutal but very effective, I can assure you.

If the cockroaches are of the "tough and can take-it" type, then he will have to resort to the chloroform and hammer method. On the other hand, if they are of the ordinary weak household variety, just a little powder will suffice.

Of course, some cockroaches get into a house with the idea of establishing a colony, and this is the type where there is no hope or remedy. The Japanese in Hongkew, however, have, so they tell me, found a solution. They with the aid of a little kerosene and a three copper box of matches just burn the whole house down. Very effective. This is all right in a way, but most people want to keep their house.

In conclusion, I hope ANTI-COCKROACH will appreciate my suggestions.

ANTI ANTI-COCKROACH.

Shanghai, Oct. 13.

THE WEATHER

The temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai, for 24 hours ending 7 p.m.

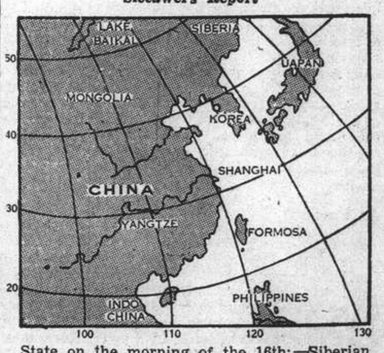
Yesterday	Min.	48.0	Max.	68.0
Same date, 1936	Min.	60.0	Max.	77.0

Rainfall nil.

Siccawei Recording:—

Yesterday	Min.	46.4	Max.	68.0
Same date, 1936	Min.	53.1	Max.	77.5

Siccawei's Report



State on the morning of the 16th:—Siberian anti-cyclone rising over China and Korea: low and falling pressure over Japan. The typhoon, to the south-east of Formosa, is inclining north-north-eastward. Strong northerly to north-easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine, cloudy and cool weather in China.

State on the morning of the 17th:—Fine and cool weather. Strong north-westerly wind. High and rising pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and cold weather with strong north-westerly winds around Shantung: North-westerly to north-easterly over our Coasts, to the south of the Saddles and over Formosa. Cyclonic storm with rain around the Loochoos, owing to the typhoon advancing north-eastward. Typhoon signal: Approximate position of the centre at 2 p.m., within 60 miles, latitude 24, longitude 128, direction north-east, intensity: Violent.—Siccawei Observatory.

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The Paulun Hospital.—From Mrs. Mozelle Abraham $250.00

AMERICA WILL ATTEND NINE POWER TALKS

Desire for Quick Solution of Far Eastern Problem Seen in Speedy Acceptance

INVITATION TO BE EXTENDED TO OTHERS

Washington, Oct. 16.

THE United States to-day formally accepted the invitation of the Belgian Government to attend the Nine Power Conference on the Far East opening in Brussels on October 30.

Mr. Norman Davis, United States Ambassador-at-large, will head the American delegation, which will also include Dr. Stanley Hornbeck, Special Adviser to Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, on Far Eastern Affairs; Mr. Pierrepont Moffat, Chief of the European division of the State Department, and two others. The delegation will sail from New York in the ss. Washington on October 20.

"Peace by agreement" between China and Japan is expected to be the primary objective of the United States at the conference. Two circumstances cause well-informed circles to believe that the United States will take a strong stand at the meeting:

1.—The prompt acceptance of the invitation without it being specified whether the conference will be restricted to signatories of the Nine-Power Treaty or will include Powers like Soviet Russia and Germany.

2.—The strong personnel of the American delegation.

It is understood that the Government is not particular as to what Powers are invited, but is prepared to co-operate with anybody willing to share mediation in the Sino-Japanese conflict.

Mr. Cordell Hull stated that he understood invitations to the first meeting, at any rate, would be confined to signatories of the Treaty.

Full Text

The text of the American reply was as follows:

"The Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Royal Belgian Ambassador and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of his Note of October 16, 1937, stating that the Royal Belgian Government, at the request of the British Government and with the approval of the Government of the United States, proposes to states signatory of the Treaty of February 6, 1922, that they meet at Brussels on October 30 for the purpose of examining, in conformity with Article VII of the Treaty, the situation in the Far East and studying peaceable means of hastening the end of the regrettable conflict which prevails there.

"The Government of the United States is glad to accept the invitation, and the President has designated the Honorable Norman H. Davis as the delegate of the United States."—Reuter.

Swift Action Sought

Washington, Oct. 16.

Well-informed government circles foresaw the deepest American involvement in the affairs of foreign countries since the Versailles Peace Conference, recalling President Roosevelt's recommendation for "concerted world action" at Brussels.

The fact that the United States acted so swiftly to hasten the departure of the American delegation to Brussels indicated President Roosevelt's desire that the conference be launched before the special session of Congress and that action will be decided, at least tentatively, before the session opens.

The President, it was felt, also desired the initiation of action before the Japanese forces have penetrated further into North China.

Diplomats generally believed that the first step in seeking to end the conflict would be a request for truce in the actual hostilities. It was considered that the less Chinese territory Japan occupied at the time of the truce, the fewer bargaining points Japan would have in negotiating actual peace terms.

In this connection, well-informed diplomats pointed out that Mr. Norman Davis was long considered a leading exponent of "real politics," of which Britain and Germany were leading exponents. It was believed that a "practical solution" would be sought.

Some Concessions

Some concessions to Japan, such as a guarantee against anti-Japanese boycotts in China, probably would be made, it was believed. On the other hand, the withdrawal of Japanese troops, probably to the Great Wall, would be asked.

President Roosevelt's greatest desire, it was said, was for speedy settlement of the entire Far Eastern situation, enabling him to be free to deal with Congress on domestic problems, as well as the growing protest against the new international co-operation policy.

Political opposition to Mr. Roosevelt's policy regarding international action to end "international outlawry" was expected, especially from proponents of a strict American neutrality policy.—United Press.

Other Nations

Brussels, Oct. 17.

The first session of the Nine Power conference, well-informed circles declared yesterday, will be devoted to a general survey of the Far Eastern situation, after which the meeting will draw up a list of nations, non-signatories of the Nine Power Treaty, who will be invited to attend the conference.

It is then likely, they added, that the meeting will adjourn until early in November, with a view to enabling the newly-invited powers to appoint their respective delegates.—Havas.

South American States

Washington, Oct. 17.

It is understood that the United States Government favours the participation of South American nations in the Nine Power conference, and that semi-official suggestions have been made in this direction.—Havas.

China Accepts

Nanking, Oct. 17.

China's acceptance of the Belgian invitation, which was transmitted through the Belgian Charge d'Affaires at Shanghai, to participate in the Nine Power Conference to be held on October 30 at Brussels was despatched yesterday by Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The reply stated in the end as follows: "The Chinese Government accepts the invitation thus extended by the Belgian Government and expressed the hope that the labours of the proposed Conference will be crowned with success, so that peace will soon be re-established in this part of the world on the basis of international law and justice."—Central News.

Aerial Activity Marks Otherwise Quiet Day Here

Three Chinese Air Raids Over Whangpoo

JAPANESE BOMB HUNGJAO DISTRICT

With aerial activity on both sides the only signs of hostility discernible from the Settlement, yesterday proved to be fairly quiet near the city. The Japanese bombed intensively the areas near Hungjao Road, particularly near the railway crossing, which was not hit, though neighbouring buildings suffered. Other places bombed were the railway near the North Station and the North Station district generally.

In the evening the Chinese air force carried out three raids before 1 a.m. the first, a double one, around 7 o'clock, and the second shortly after 10 o'clock. The Japanese warships in the Whangpoo broke out with their usual spectacular anti-aircraft barrage.

Mission Hit

Incendiary bombs were dropped at 7 o'clock over Ningkuo Road, Yangtszepoo, and set fire to ten houses belonging to the Seventh Day Adventist Mission and occupied at the time by Japanese Marines. It could not be determined last night how heavy a loss was suffered by the Japanese. The Shanghai Fire Brigade was called upon to extinguish the fire and men from Yangtszepoo Station worked for three hours at the scene. Japanese casualties, however, were not conveyed by any Settlement ambulance.

A Chinese was struck by an anti-aircraft shell, fired during the same air-raid, at 7.05 o'clock at the corner of Kaifeng and North Thibet Roads, adjacent to a British post. He was taken to Lester Chinese Hospital in an ambulance from Sinza Fire Station.

The first air-raid lasted from 6.57 to 7.26 p.m., three bombs being dropped in Yangtszepoo. Besides the one which fell in Ninkuo Road, two bombs fell in Hochien Road, one of them on a Japanese soap factory.

The second raid was from 10.23 to 10.35 o'clock and the plane fired machine-gun bullets at enemy targets in the course of it. The third followed at 12.35 a.m.

A Chinese plane was heard in the downtown area at 11.30 o'clock and drew searchlight beams from the flagship Idzumo and a Japanese position in Hongkew. The lights were switched off after more than five minutes' vain sweeping of the skies. The plane did not raid.

Wentsaopang Again

Chinese reported yesterday that fighting near the Wentsaopang continued to be the fiercest along the entire front. Japanese troops were reported to have attacked the Chinese at several positions without success.

In the Kiangwan sector, supported by tanks, the Japanese were stated to have attacked by way of Hsiang-yin Road, again without success. In Chapei, barring skirmishes, all was reported to be quiet. Heavy artillery bombardment and aerial bombing was the main activity during the day along the front.

No Japanese statement concerning the local fronts was made public yesterday, the Japanese spokesman merely reiterating the charge that the Chinese were using gas bombs and shells against Japanese positions.

SOOCHOW'S FIVE RAIDS

Soochow, Oct. 17.

Residents of Soochow spent a hectic Sabbath Day to-day as Japanese planes gave them no peace and mercilessly bombed the city five times from morning till afternoon.

In the first raid, the Japanese birdmen dropped several bombs on Waikwatang station and wrecked part of the station building and an empty coach.

In the third raid, which was the worst of the five, three heavy Japanese bombers, escorted by two pursuit planes, subjected the city to fully one hour's attack from the sky. More than ten heavy missiles were dropped on a passenger train which was approaching the main station.

Casualties during the raid on the train were fortunately few, as all the passengers had been alarmed beforehand and went for cover in time. A part of the station building, the platform, and several houses in the vicinity of the station, however, were damaged.

Swooping down to a low altitude, the Japanese planes also let loose a fusillade of mechine-gun bullets on the city. Several people were killed or wounded.—Central News.

FURTHER UNEMPLOYED AID REFUSED IN BRITAIN

London, Oct. 17.

The Ministry of Labour has refused the request made by various Trade Unions, that the unemployed be granted further relief. It is expected that this decision will result in violent protests at the Trade Union Council which is to meet on October 27.—Havas.

POSSIBLE JAPANESE PARTICIPATION

Soviet Russia and Germany Likely to Join

Paris, Oct. 17.

Japan may still accept participation in the Nine Power conference, Chinese circles closely connected with the Ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, declared yesterday.

They expressed the opinion that

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HOME AFTER A TEN WEEK HOLIDAY

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

After a long holiday of ten weeks in camp at Weihaiwei, forty Shanghai scouts returned yesterday in the B. & S. ss. Shuntien, being accompanied by Messrs. W. J. Silvey and A. H. Gordon, assistant commissioners. Above, scouts are seen lowering luggage over the side of the ship. Below, Mr. Gordon waves a cheery "hullo" to a friend on the wharf.

H.M.S. DANAE SAILS FOR HOME THIS MORNING

H.M.S. Cumberland to Come Up River To-morrow: Famous Choir to be Disbanded

MEMORIES of the hectic evacuation of women and children will be revived once again by the departure of H.M.S. Danae for home this morning. The many husbands, wives, children, and sweethearts who have good reason to be profoundly thankful to the Danae's company for their valiant aid in the rush of departure will watch her steam away for home with regret. The cheerful way in which those bluejackets went about their task of making an anxious and sorrowful time as pleasant and easy as possible will not be forgotten merely by the ship leaving for home waters. It is not only the woman who said "How wonderful those British sailors are" who will retain these memories. It is every British man, woman and child who was connected with the evacuation.

Britons in China will also have good cause to regret the passing for ever of the famous choir made up of members of the Danae's company, who had made a name for themselves wherever the ship has touched for their hearty rendering of old sea shanties. The ship's term of service has come to an end, and she will be placed on reserve when she arrives home. The ship's company will be broken up, and the famous choir scattered among many different warships. It is probable, however, that they will broadcast over the B.B.C. before they are finally disbanded.

The Danae, after leaving home, sailed for Malta, where she took part in naval exercises, and then went on to Singapore to dock. Touching at Port Said, Aden and Colombo on her way out East, she sailed from the latter port on November 18 last year, passed by the Canary Islands to Australia, and then went on an extensive tour around the coast of that continent. She called in at Freemantle, Adelaide, Sydney, Brisbane, and other ports, and at many of her stopping places delighted audiences, as well as radio listeners, heard her choir render the old sea shanties dear to the heart of every Briton.

Welcomed by Augusta

After leaving Australia, she sailed for the Dutch East Indies, and then for the Philippines. It was here that she first met the U.S.S. Augusta, and the respective crews formed friendships that have lasted up till to-day. At Cebu, the Danae was accorded a signal of welcome to the Philippines from Admiral Yarnell, commanding the U.S. Pacific Fleet, whose flagship was stationed there at the time.

From the Philippines, the Danae came up to Hongkong, from there to Nanking, and thence to Chefoo, where she participated in the Coronation Celebrations. Owing, however, to the fact that she had cases of smallpox on board, her part in the celebrations had to be somewhat curtailed. From Chefoo, she proceeded to Weihaiwei for summer exercises lasting for two months. At one o'clock one day, while cruising off Weihaiwei, her captain received a message from Admiral Sir Charles Little, instructing him to join the flagship twelve hours out at sea.

The Danae afterwards made a record voyage from Weihaiwei to Nanking, leaving Weihaiwei at 5 a.m. one day, and arriving at Nanking at 3.45 p.m. on the next. This speedy, voyage was, of course, brought about by the Shanghai crisis. Finally the Danae arrived here on August 9, and has been here ever since.

The Danae is leaving the British Naval Buoy at 11.15 a.m. to-day. As she passes her old friend the U.S.S. Augusta, the Danae will bid her a last farewell. The ship's company will line the starboard side of the ship, with the band aft, and will give three rousing cheers for the Augusta's company as the British vessel passes the American flagship. The Augusta's company will line the port side of the warship, and return the cheers of farewell.

Token of Friendship

A concrete token of friendship between the two warships was presented by Captain Maund, commander of the Danae, to Captain F. X. Gygax, commanding the Augusta, on Saturday. The presentation was made in the presence of the entire ship's company of the Augusta, and took the form of a silver bowl, suitably inscribed.

H.M.S. Cumberland, with Admiral Little on board, is expected to arrive off Woosung at noon to-day, and will tie up at the Blockhouse Buoy, in the neutral anchorage. She is expected to come up river and tie up to the naval buoy to-morrow morning, and, all being well, will be swinging around opposite the Garden Bridge at about 10 a.m.

Exciting "At Home"

A group of guests bound for the farewell At Home on board H.M.S. Danae yesterday evening were treated to a special show when a Chinese plane—or planes—appeared suddenly from the south and drew a dazzling response of anti-aircraft fire from Japanese naval and land batteries along the Whangpoo River.

It was barely 7 o'clock when the display started as the group were waiting on the pontoon off the French Bund for a launch to take them to the Danae. The motor of a plane was distinctly heard and a few seconds later hell broke loose as anti-aircraft and heavy machine guns started firing from a number of points along the Whangpoo. Searchlights from Japanese naval vessels and from shore positions searched the sky for the raider, but failed to spot him.

The Danae's launch came alongside the jetty just as the show began. With remarkable precision the sailors manning it and the midshipman on the pontoon changed their caps to steel helmets, as did the crews of a French and an Italian naval launch close by. The Danae's guests piled into the launch, which was ordered not to put out into the stream while the raid was on. From the small vessel the dozen or so men watched the thrilling spectacle as red and blinding white lights streaked the night sky to the tune of pom-poms and rat-tat-tats. Suddenly it all ceased.

Launch Called Back

The midshipman on the pontoon instructed the coxswain to leave. The launch put off but had only advanced a few yards from shore when the air raid was resumed with exceptional vigour. Some of the shrapnel seemed to burst directly overhead.

A shout from the midshipman brought the launch back to the pontoon, where it remained for at least five minutes while the shooting kept on with all the brilliance and noise of which the various batteries were capable. Several bombs burst and the flashes could be plainly seen. They struck somewhere in the vicinity of Yangtszepoo, probably at or near the Japanese air field.

When the firing ceased for the second time, the launch was allowed to put off shore in earnest. The crew still wore their steel helmets as the vessel sped out to the well-lighted Danae. There was no "show" to entertain the passengers en route.

On the cruiser there were many guests already, who had just witnessed the aerial bombardment. They did not seem a bit shaken and when another air raid followed, a few minutes later, it passed almost unnoticed. There was the more important business of bidding god-speed to friends on the Danae about to leave the China Station.

Italy's Reply On Volunteers Very Welcome

Europe Mainly Satisfied with Rome's Stand

SOVIET CRITICAL

Germany Displeased with Mr. Eden's Speech

London, Oct. 17.

Italy's acceptance, in principle, of the proposal for a withdrawal of some of the volunteers fighting in Spain, announced at yesterday's meeting of the Non-Intervention Committee, has caused satisfaction in most of the capitals concerned over the Spanish situation.

Although no unduly high hopes have been raised in London, there is a general atmosphere of hope, writes Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent.

It is thought that the difference between the Italian proposal for an equal withdrawal and the French request for a proportional withdrawal may be bridged by negotiations.

The importance of the question lies in the French conviction that Italian volunteers enormously outweigh the number of volunteers on the other side.

Official circles in Paris withhold comment, but are pleased by Count Grandi's moderate tone. Although all speakers of the non-intervention sub-committee repeated their already well-known views, it is felt that there was a different spirit. Paris, therefore, believes there are hopes for success.

Berlin Comment

The press in Berlin mostly applauds Herr von Ribbentrop's statement that Germany would resume freedom of action if the others did the same. Political circles in the German capital do not regard the withdrawal of volunteers as a simple problem. They are of the opinion that discussion of the matter will take much time.

Political circles in Rome are well satisfied with the course of events. They agree that fair progress has been made notwithstanding the speech of Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, on the eve of the Non-Intervention meeting, which was held here to have prejudiced the meeting and evoked criticisms from Count Grandi and Herr von Ribbentrop.

Stress is laid on Italy's two conditions for the withdrawal of volunteers, namely, rigorous control and recognition of belligerent rights, but so far it has not been made clear whether Italy will agree to a withdrawal before recognition.—Reuter.

Fiery Speech

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Oct. 16.

A characteristically fiery speech was made to-day at Carnarvon by Mr. David Lloyd George, wartime Prime Minister, who attacked the Government as being "insufficiently strong to face the greatest crisis the world has seen since the Great War."

He appealed to Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, to take a bold, courageous line. Mr. Eden, declared the Welsh statesman, would be amazed at the response from every section.

"Non-intervention is a cruel, lying sham," exclaimed Mr. Lloyd George. "Week by week, Italy is sending troops to Libya. "To Libya?" cried the speaker scornfully. "A great many of them are going to Spain."—Reuter.

Soviet Criticism

London, Oct. 16.

Italy's consent to partial withdrawal of Italian volunteers from Spain was sharply criticized to-day by the Soviet Ambassador, M. Ivan Maisky, as a ruse to substitute endless talk and delays for speedy Anglo-French action.

"Just at this moment the Non-Intervention Committee is called upon to indulge in endless talks, as a substitute for speedy action," M. Maisky complained.

The Ambassador said there would be a long period of delay before volunteers were actually withdrawn and while the Non-Intervention Sub-Committee completed arrangements for observations and for withdrawal quotas.

Observers also pointed out that the withdrawals could not be begun quickly, since the plan called for a commission to go to Spain and submit a report, requiring weeks to complete.

Delegates to the Committee to-day agreed to ask their respective governments to consider the five points outlined yesterday by the French delegate.—United Press.

Berlin Comment

Berlin, Oct. 17.

The press here yesterday expressed dissatisfaction at the speech made by Mr. Anthony Eden.

The "Nachtausgabe" considers as threatening the passage of the address in which Mr. Eden emphasized distinguishing the questions of Spain proper and British interests in the Mediterranean.

"These British threats," this journal stated, "have extended to Mediterranean interests, while France has only threatened to intervene in Spain."

"If Mr. Eden's words are to be taken as a reference to Minorca," the journal added, "let us recall that the Italian press has emphasized that Rome would consider the occupation of that island by France and England as a motive for an international conflict. If, on the other hand, England desires to obtain Italy's co-operation in measures for protecting the Balearic Islands, such a threat is unwarranted."

Concession to Soviet

Commenting on yesterday's opening session of the non-intervention sub-committee, the "Berliner Tageblatt" declared that the Anglo-British project was a concession to Soviet Russia since it had emphasized that the question of the withdrawal of foreign volunteers from Spain must be settled prior to the recognition of belligerency rights.

"The willingness expressed by Italy and the Reich to collaborate despite past events and the tone of an ultimatum adopted by the other side, is a new service to peace rendered by Rome and Berlin," the journal stated.—Havas.

Germans Imprisoned

Berlin, Oct. 17.

Two Germans, who had been placed on trial for volunteering to fight for the Spanish Loyalists, were condemned to serve from four to eight months in prison.—Havas.

Photo by Courtesy of Dr. N. Eskelund.

COACH WRECKED BY JAPANESE BOMBERS

The most seriously damaged of the two railway coaches bombed by Japanese planes near Hungjao Road on Thursday afternoon is shown above. Six bombers participated in the raid, in which two foreign houses were practically demolished and five others were damaged more or less seriously. Three Chinese were killed and six wounded.

40 Scouts Return From the North In ss. Shuntien

Members of Court Staff Also Passengers

SHIP BRINGS IN 199 BAGS OF MAIL

Appearing none the worse, in fact decidedly better, for their long sojourn in Weihaiwei, about forty Shanghai Boy Scouts arrived here yesterday on board the B. & S. ss. Shuntien. They were accompanied by Messrs. W. J. Silvey and A. H. Gordon, assistant commissioners. Travelling up to Weihaiwei ten weeks ago in the Shuntien, the scouts expected to remain there for a fortnight only. In view of unsettled conditions here, however, it was decided to keep them in Weihaiwei for the time being. Parents in Shanghai have received cheery news of their sons at the Weihaiwei camp on and off during the past ten weeks, but there was no doubt about the relief with which they greeted the returned wanderers yesterday morning. Several scouts have remained behind in Weihaiwei, having been joined by their parents.

In addition to the scouts, 110 passengers travelled down from the north in the Shuntien. The majority were holidaymakers or refugees returning from Tsingtao, although a sprinkling of passengers also boarded the ship at Tientsin, Chefoo and Weihaiwei. Among those returning in the Shuntien were Judge P. Grant Jones, and other members of the staff of H.M. Supreme Court, which has been sitting in Tientsin.

The ship, which was filled with passengers from Tientsin onwards, brought 199 bags of mail. She had a rough trip down, striking a north-westerly gale which set the ship rolling and pitching for most of the voyage to Shanghai.

NEW CUNARD WHITE STAR LINER

Interesting Design: to be Launched Next Summer

London, Oct. 16.

The new liner, number 1029, which is being built at Birkenhead for the Cunard White Star Company, will, it is expected, be launched next summer and put in commission in the early part of 1939 for the Southampton-New York service.

The vessel will be nearly 750 feet long and will have a gross tonnage of over 30,000. Features of the hull design include a terraced bridge superstructure, a cruiser stern and two masts. There will be only two funnels, thus allowing for increased deck space for games and promenading and more interior passenger accommodation.

The vessel will be twin-screw driven by Parsons single reduction geared turbines. Her ten decks will include a sports deck and a sun deck, and there will be an unusually large number of sheltered promenade spaces.—Wireless through Reuter.

COL. LINDBERGH'S CITIZENSHIP

Arranges to Renew Airforce Reserve Commission

Berlin, Oct. 17.

Asked whether it was true that Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh would permanently reside in England, Major Tuman Smith, American military attache, the Lindberghs' personal friend and host in Berlin, replied "Piffle!"

The Lindberghs are at present inspecting German aeroplane factories and airfields.—United Press.

Commission Renewed

Washington, Oct. 16.

That Colonel Lindbergh was renewing his Aircorps Reserve Commission was disclosed by the War Department as an indication of the lack of foundation in reports that he would relinquish his American citizenship to reside permanently in England.—United Press.

FRENCH-ESTHONIAN TRADE TREATY SIGNED

Paris, Oct. 16.

A new trade treaty between France and Esthonia was signed here to-day at the French Ministry for Trade.

The new agreement aims at increasing the exchange of commodities between the two countries. To assure this, Esthonia has increased her quotas on the import of French goods, above all for French motor-cars.

The clearing agreement that has been in existence between the two countries since 1932 has been terminated. All payments will after this be made in foreign currency. Nevertheless provision has been made in the new treaty for precluding the possibility of the accumulation of new debit balances on either side.—Trans-Ocean.

Thirty-four Killed in Coal Mine Disaster

Mulagra, Alabama, Oct. 16.

Thirty-four persons were estimated to have died to-day when a terrific explosion wrecked the lower levels of the Woodward Company's coalmine here at 6.30 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time). Thirty-three bodies have already been recovered. The lone known survivor, Mr. Ivan Fox, was lying in a critical condition after being rushed to hospital following the terrible blast. Of the 33 victims, 21 were white men, while twelve are negroes.—United Press.

Lovely Hawaii To Be Pacific's Greatest Fort

New Defence Plans Are to be Recommended to Congress

SINO-JAPANESE CONFLICT FORCES PROGRAMME

Washington, Oct. 16.

U.S. Navy plans to make the Hawaiian Islands "absolutely impregnable" from attack by any first class naval Power, will be the basis of recommendations to the regular session of Congress, the United Press learned to-day.

High Naval officers said that the Navy and War Departments were collaborating on a programme eventually to make Hawaii one of the world's most powerful fortresses, comparable to Singapore and Gibraltar, capable of repelling the world's greatest naval armada.

The Sino-Japanese conflict has forced world-wide reconsideration of Pacific war strategy and driven home to the United States the urgency of developing an impregnable Hawaiian outpost, high commanders said.—United Press.

New Planes

San Diego, Oct. 15.

The Navy Department announced to-day that twelve additional PBY2 patrol bombing planes will be flown to Hawaii early in 1938.

The new planes will be used to replace obsolete equipment of other squadrons based at Pearl Harbour, it was believed.—United Press.

MARIST BROTHERS ALL RELEASED

Kidnapped Men Returned One by One to Peiping

Peiping, Oct. 17.

The three remaining Marist Missionaries, one French, one Spaniard and one German, who had been captured by a band of Chinese irregulars and kept in the mountainous district west of the Old Capital, were unconditionally released yesterday.

About a dozen of the missionaries of Japanese troops and members of a school and seminary at Chala close to the Peiping wall, and at a place called La Cuvette near the Summer Palace on the outskirts of Peiping, were kidnapped in August by the irregulars and taken into the Western Hills, where their captors demanded a ransom of $500,000 and a large quantity of ammunition.

An expeditionary force composed of Japanese troops and members of the Chinese constabulary of Peiping was sent against the abductors, while the French Embassy, aided by the Peiping authorities, were negotiating for the release of the prisoners. The so-called bandits have never been located, but one by one they have freed the prisoners, who never complained of bad treatment at the hands of their abductors. The last three returned only yesterday, and now the incident which aroused much attention throughout the world is considered closed.—Havas.

BOYCOTT AND TRADE UNIONS

Congress Claims Unanimous Response from World

London, Oct. 17.

The General Council of the Trade Union Congress claims a unanimous response by international trade union and labour movements to call a boycott of Japanese goods.

Replies received from trade union organizations in the United States, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, India, Mexico, Holland, France, Switzerland, the Scandinavian countries, Czechoslovakia, Austria and Ireland all indicate a determination to carry out, to the utmost extent, a policy of boycott.—Reuter.

ADMIRAL NULTON WITHDRAWN FROM SERVICE

San Francisco, Oct. 16.

The steamer Admiral Nulton was withdrawn from service indefinitely to-day after the Seamen's Union of the Pacific had backed the deck crew's demand for a $100 "war zone bonus." The vessel was reported to have been loaded with war supplies for China.—United Press.

PAOTOU FALLS TO ADVANCE OF JAPANESE ARMY

Suiyuan Railway Terminus Latest Capture

80 KM. IN THREE DAYS

Bitter Fighting Continues in North Shansi

Peiping, Oct. 17.

Paotou, the western terminus of the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway, was captured by Japanese troops this morning, according to a semi-official Japanese report.

Previously, the report states, the Japanese occupied Tengkou, thirteen miles to the east, after a severe battle with 2,000 Chinese cavalry at Salachi. The report adds that Japanese artillery played a conspicuous part in the action.

The capture of Paotou represents an advance of eighty miles since the fall of Kweihua on October 14.—Reuter.

Near Honan Border

Tientsin, Oct. 17.

Advancing more than eighty kilometres in less than two days on the heels of retreating Chinese, Japanese units at six o'clock this morning occupied the large town of Hantan, approximately sixteen kilometres north of the Honan border, according to an announcement by the headquarters of the North China Garrison.

Chinese forces remaining in Hopei province, the announcement said, are being "rapidly cut down by Japanese flying columns."—Domei.

Japanese Successes

Peiping, Oct. 17.

Japanese troops in North China continue their "irresistible" advance in all sectors, according to Japanese reports.

Foreign despatches state that Chinese officers attribute their defeats entirely to the lack of artillery support.

In the Shansi area, Taiyuanfu, the capital of the province, is threatened by a further advance of the Japanese force approaching from the east along the railway from Shihchiachwang.

In north Shansi, despite Chinese claims of a victory in the Yuanping sector, Japanese reports assert that the town has been in Japanese hands for two weeks. They state that nine Chinese aeroplanes appeared over Yuanping on Friday afternoon, of which two were shot down by anti-aircraft guns.

It is now admitted, however, that Hsinhsien, which was previously reported captured by the Japanese, is still held by the Chinese. The Japanese are said to be preparing to attack the city, where a large Chinese force is concentrated.

In the Tientsin-Pukow Railway zone, the Japanese column which captured Pingyuan is reported to be approaching Yucheng, 19 miles north of the Yellow River.—Reuter.

Chinese Attack

Nanking, Oct. 17.

Desperate fighting is going on in North Shansi, where Chinese troops, supported by aircraft and artillery, began a determined attack late last night and have surrounded between 30,000 and 40,000 Japanese troops in the Yuanping area, according to Chinese reports received here.

Japanese aeroplanes, it is claimed, have dropped a message to the beleaguered troops to "hold their positions at any cost, as reinforcements will be arriving on Sunday." Many pamphlets containing this message are said to have been picked up by Chinese soldiers.

The same despatch says that one small Japanese unit made a surprise raid and entered Niangtzekuan Pass, on the border of Hopei and Shansi provinces, some days ago, but were immediately repulsed, "and Chinese troops are at present holding the pass."—Reuter.

Pass Recovered

Taiyuan, Oct. 17.

Mobile units of a certain Chinese army, which have during the past fortnight recovered several important towns in north Shansi, are now pushing further eastward into north Hopei with the objective of cutting the Peiping-Hankow Railway behind the main Japanese forces.

The recapture by one of the mobile units of Tseching Pass, 100 kilometres south-west of Changhsintien and only 60 kilometres from Kaopeitien on the Peiping-Hankow line in north Hopei, on October 15, has been officially confirmed here.

The Chinese units, believed to be a part of the 8th Route Army (ex-Communist forces), are now advancing from Tseching Pass eastward in the direction of Yihsien, 30 kilometres away, where the remnants of the Japanese units at Tseching Pass and Laiyuan have been concentrated.

By virtue of the recent victories, Chinese troops are now in control of that Shansi-Hopei part extending from Fanshih, through Pinghsingkwan (Pass) and Laiyuan in Hopei to Tseching Pass.

Planes Active

Meanwhile squadrons of Chinese planes have during the last few days concentrated their attention to bombing Japanese defence works in the vicinity of Yuanping and Kwohsien, north of Taiyuan, as well as bombing all communication routes and railway between Kwohsien and Tatung.

With transportation of reinforcements and war supplies thus handicapped from Hopei through north Shansi, the Japanese troops in the vicinity of Kwohsien and Yuanping find themselves in an unenviable position.

Japanese plans to transport their war supplies and provisions by side roads from north Hopei have also been discovered, and on October 15, it was learned, over seventy of a convoy of such necessities were intercepted by a mobile Chinese unit at a point between Kwangling and Lingchiu, north of Pinghsingkwan. The entire convoy was seized, and 80 of the some 100 guards were killed.

During the last few days' fighting in north Shansi, reports state, the Japanese have suffered heavy casualties, estimated in the neighbourhood of five to six thousand killed and wounded.

Chinese troops also suffered heavily, among the wounded being two brigade commanders.—Central News.

LIMITATIONS OF WAR PLANES SHOWN BY HOSTILITIES

U.S. Experts Scoff at Claims that Aeroplanes Take Place of Other Means of Warfare

Washington, Oct. 16.

THE present Sino-Japanese war, like two preceding wars in the past three years, has completely nullified claims that the aeroplane is now the principal weapon of warfare, members of the United States Army high command told the United Press here to-day. While emphasizing the importance of the plane as an auxiliary weapon, and the air service as a major branch of a modern military machine, high American military and naval officers said they believed the performance of aeroplanes in the Sino-Japanese war, the Spanish civil war, and the Italo-Ethiopian war, has deflated the exaggerated claims made for the aeroplane by its protagonists for the past fifteen years.

The records written by the air services in these conflicts, Army officers said, also have clearly demonstrated not only the wisdom but also the vital necessity of utilizing the air forces in conjunction with land or sea forces, under the unified command of the army of fleet commander. They declared that the records have shown that it is unwise to maintain a separate air force.

Air forces in combat service have shown the fallacies of the claims made by air service protagonists a few years ago that the aeroplane would soon replace the battleship as the first line of defence; that "the next war will be fought in the sky"; that with an air force of 1,000 or 5,000 or 10,000 fighting planes, there would be little use for a large ground army.

Shortcomings Reviewed

"The next war will begin in the air and end in the mud," one staff officer declared to-day. The shortcomings of the aeroplane as an all-inclusive military weapon were given as follows:

It cannot conquer or hold territory that has been conquered or attacked by ground troops; it cannot clear an area of snipers or isolated, stubbornly held machine gun nests; it is hampered by inclement weather, and is available for combat service only a portion of the time; it is hampered by anti-aircraft fire which compels planes to fly so high that bombing is inaccurate; it cannot maintain a timed, continuous, accurate barrage, such as artillery.

Invaluable Auxiliary

The Sino-Japanese war in the Shanghai area, as well as the Spanish civil war and the Italo-Ethiopian war, have demonstrated, however, that the aeroplane is an invaluable asset to other fighting forces because of its use for observation, scouting and artillery fire control; demoralization of the enemy by machine-gunning and bombing front lines, troop concentrations, troops on the march; destruction of roads and railways behind the enemy's lines, hampering communications, transport and supplies; destruction of ammunition dumps and depots, railway yards and other supply services.

Officers also pointed out the service of planes in hampering or preventing the landing of troops from transport ships by bombing and machine-gun attacks on both the transports and the small boats in which the troops are sent ashore.

Slaughter Deplored

Little support could be found here to-day in any quarter for the practice of bombing cities and regions densely populated by non-combatants, the destruction of schools, colleges and other non-military establishments.

Military leaders generally deplored this slaughter of non-combatants and agreed that while aerial bombings of cities had temporarily terrorized inhabitants, there was no record of such activities having compelled evacuation of a single city, town or area.—United Press.

China Customs Loan Services Cut by Losses

Seizure of Northern Areas Means Lost Revenues

DIRE EFFECT OF NAVAL BLOCKADE SURVEYED

San Francisco, Oct. 15.

If the Japanese blockade of 800 miles of the Chinese coast, including eight principal ports, succeeds, China's national revenues from Customs will be reduced 36.95 per cent., according to experts of the Institute of Pacific Relations.

That Japan will be able to enforce the blockade, the institute entertains no doubt, as this is assured by the superiority of the Japanese Navy and could be altered only by intervention of some other great sea power.

Severe as the blow will be to the finances of the Central Government, the Institute points out that virtually every great Power in the world will suffer in the same proportion as Customs revenues have always been one of the principal sources of revenue given by China for foreign loans and at the present time in many instances they are definitely pledged for the servicing of these loans.

Of the total gross collections last year of $98,000,000 as customs receipts, $25,100,000, or 25.6 per cent., was allocated for the service on foreign loans, while $39,000,000, or 39.8 per cent. was reserved for international loan service.

On July 1, 1937, the secured foreign loans of the Nanking Government were $271,800,000, of which $156,700,000 were secured upon Customs receipts. The amount of these securities held in the United States is thought to be small while the largest proportion is probably British-held.

Default Unavoidable

In this situation, the Institute points out, China will either default in her foreign loans and ruin the credit position recently gained, or allocate for this purpose funds that are already inadequate to support the military campaign into which she has been plunged.

To make a bad matter worse, the Institute points out, with an ever-widening area of Japanese control in China, even greater losses of income to the Chinese Government are likely to ensue, even though foreign trade is allowed to continue, as demonstrated in the Japanese conquest of Manchuria and Jehol, and the creation of an autonomous regime in East Hopei.

In each case the advance of the Japanese deprived the Central Government of the customs and salt revenues in those areas.

It is this reliance of income from tariff duties which places the Nanking Government heavily dependent on the trade and industry of the rich treaty ports along the Yangtze River.

Shanghai alone, it has been ascertained, supplied 45.8 per cent. of the National tariff revenues last year.—United Press.

MARINES CHURCH AT GRAND THEATRE

Auditorium Filled for the Service and Concert

The auditorium of the Grand Theatre was filled to capacity for the Marine Brigade Church Service and Concert yesterday morning. Lieutenant Frank R. Hamilton, Regimental Chaplain of the Fourth Marines, conducted the worship and delivered an interesting and forceful message on the subject "Leisure and Liberty" based on 1 Corinthians 8:9 "Take heed how you use this liberty of yours, lest it become a stumbling block to the weak." A special musical feature of the service was an instrumental quintet "Sacred Medley" rendered by Privates first class Feeney, Vernon, Potter, Page and Torbett. Band selections in the worship, under the direction of Pfc. L. W. Bonds, included the prelude "Ave Maria" by Mascagni and Rubenstein's "Melody in F" for the offertory.

Mr. Y. K. Sze, Chinese basso, was the guest artist in the concert programme which followed the service. A soloist with the Shanghai Opera Company, Mr. Sze has appeared several times before Shanghai audiences, having sung at the benefit concert given in the Nanking Theatre recently. His two solos, sung with band accompaniment, were generously applauded by the appreciative audience, —Sanderson's "Shipmates o' Mine" and the beautiful Aria from Verdi's Opera "Macbeth"—"Come dal Ciel Precipita." The Marine Brigade Band, under the direction of the bandmaster Tech.-Sgt. Leon Freda, introduced the concert with Rossini's Overture "Tancredi" and also played parts (3) "In the Mosque" and (4) "Procession of the Sardar" from Iwonow's Suite "Caucasian Sketches." The programme concluded with the Marines' Hymn and the American National Anthem.

Mr. George B. Fryer, Superintendent and Secretary of the Institution for the Chinese Blind, celebrates his sixtieth birthday to-day. The son of the late John Fryer who founded the Institution, he was born in Shanghai on October 18, 1877.

KILLED GENERAL'S WIDOW ANSWERED

Mme. Miller Hears from the Quai d'Orsay

Paris, Oct. 16.

The French Foreign Ministry to-day answered certain declarations made in a letter written by the wife of the kidnapped Tzarist General Miller to President Lebrun. In her letter Madame Miller had complained that she had received no answer from the Quai d'Orsay to her question whether the house rented in Paris by the Soviet Embassy, and in which the kidnapping of General Miller is supposed to have taken place, enjoyed diplomatic extraterritoriality. The Foreign Ministry now replies that this enquiry had taken the usual course and that on the day before Madame Miller wrote to President Lebrun the Quai d'Orsay had answered the judicial authorities to the effect that the house concerned did not enjoy diplomatic immunity.

In these circumstances it is likely that in the next few days the court will order the house to be searched. It is, however, extremely doubtful whether this will lead to any result as the culprits would have had ample time to remove any incriminating evidence.—Trans-Ocean.

DOJIN HOSPITAL IN HANKOW INTACT

Hankow, Oct. 17.

Despite allegations that the Chinese authorities here have been instructed to break open the Dojin Hospital, the seals to the premises were found to be intact when the institution was visited by Reuter to-day. It is learned that no Japanese property entrusted to the Chinese authorities when the Japanese evacuated Hankow has been touched. —Reuter.

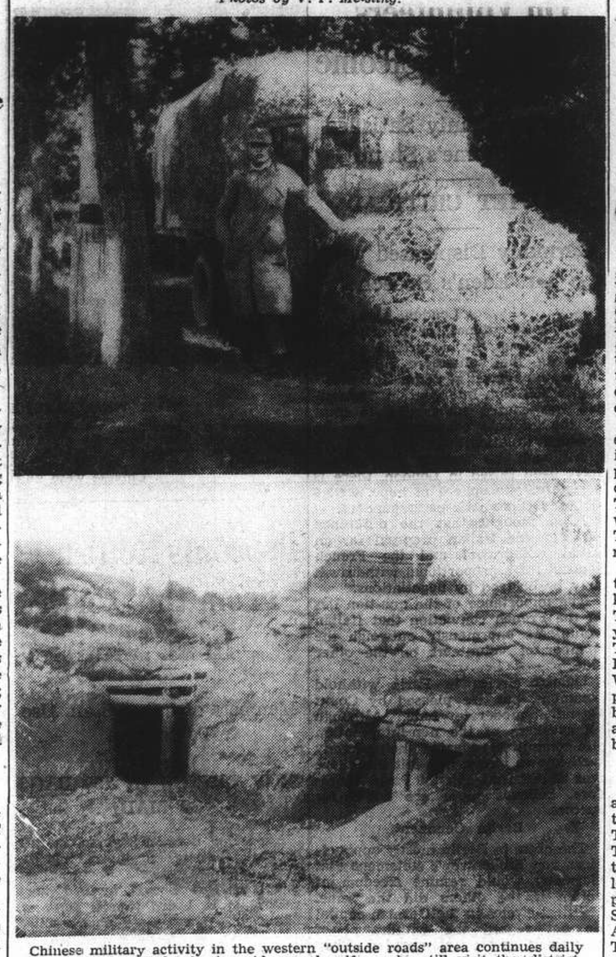
ALL TRAFFIC RECORDS AT CROYDON BROKEN

London, Oct. 16.

All traffic records at the Croydon airport were broken yesterday when, in spite of the operation of winter services, no fewer than 24 air liners were put into service to carry passengers to Paris. During the past week, Imperial Airways have operated 60 services between Paris and London, and vice versa, carrying approximately 1,000 passengers.—Wireless through Reuter.

WESTERN DEFENCE WORKS PERFECTED

Photos by V. F. Meisling.



Chinese military activity in the western "outside roads" area continues daily in plain view of the foreign riders and golfers who still visit the district. The top view shows a cleverly camouflaged army lorry with a Honanese soldier. Below, one of the many elaborate dugouts banked with sandbags. These positions are close to the sector occupied by the Loyal Regiment at present.

Peace Parleys Between U.S.A. Labour Groups

October 25 Arranged for a Big Conference

A.F.O.L. AND C.I.O. ARE TO TALK THINGS OVER

Denver, Oct. 16.

The American Federation of Labour would participate in a peace conference with the Committee for Industrial Organization at Washington "without commitments or conditions," according to an announcement made to-day by Mr. William Green, president of the A.F.O.L.—United Press.

On October 25

Atlantic City, Oct. 16.

The Committee for Industrial Organization to-day fixed October 25 as the date for the conference at Washington of the C.I.O. and the American Federation of Labour.

Mr. Philip M. Murray, head of the Steel Workers organizing committee, an affiliate of the C.I.O., sent the following telegram to the A.F.O.L.: "If you decide to cease quibbling and attend the conference, advise me at Pittsburgh."—United Press.

ROBBER'S PISTOL FAILS TO FIRE

Restaurant Guests See Miscreant Chased

A Cantonese with a revolver terrified the staff and guests of the Kwan Sun Yuen Restaurant, 457 Nanking Road, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The would-be robber, to show his serious intentions, pulled the trigger once, twice, but the weapon did not shoot. At this juncture a brave restaurant assistant started after the intruder, collared him and disarmed him in the Woo Foo Loong near by. The police later took the suspect to the Louza Station.

Five other would-be robbers were frightened away from a Chinese house at 431 Avenue Road at 6 o'clock yesterday morning when an alarm was raised. One of them had an imitation pistol, which he dropped, along with one of his shoes. Nothing was stolen.

HOLY SEE DENIES ACCORD RUMOUR

No Agreement Connected with Japan in China

Vatican City, Oct. 17.

The journal "Osservatore Romano" published yesterday the text of the official denial regarding the rumours of an alleged accord between the Holy See and Japan in connection with the latter's action in China.

"The false and tendencious character of this information, the text read, "is evident for those who know the guiding principles on which the policy of the Holy See is based.

"Nevertheless, the Vatican authorities, anxious that such false news might cause serious prejudice to Catholic missions in China, have decided to categorically deny this information specifying that it is a pure invention."—Havas.

COMMUNIST SUPPORTS ROOSEVELT'S STAND

Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 16.

Unqualified approval of President Roosevelt's new foreign policy as outlined in his Chicago speech, was expressed to-day by Mr. Earl Browder, Chairman of the American Communist Party. "For years the Soviet Union has been pressing for just such a policy," he said. "The Soviets will give the President their full co-operation."—United Press.

SPANISH CAPITAL MAY BE MOVED

General Franco's H.Q. Also to be Shifted

MAJOR OFFENSIVE DUE IN ARAGON AREA

Paris, Oct. 16.

According to a report received here from Salamanca, General Franco intends to move the Nationalist headquarters from Salamanca to Vittoria in order to be nearer to the Aragon front.—Trans-Ocean.

Move To Barcelona.

Paris, Oct. 16.

"Le Soil" reports from its barcelona correspondent that the Valencia government will very shortly transfer to Barcelona. The advantages of this change, the paper states, are obvious since the Catalan war industries could then be stimulated to greater production and the presence of the central government in Barcelona would moreover permit continuous touch with the Catalan government. This would enable all Catalan forces to be mobilized for the fight against the Nationalists.—Trans-Ocean.

Major Offensive

Saint Jean de Luz, Oct. 17.

It was reliably confirmed here yesterday that a great, perhaps decisive, battle on the Aragon front is imminent.

Military observers expressed the opinion that the Loyalists were aware of the insurgent plans to launch an offensive in the Aragon region, and the recent Loyalist attacks were made with a view to disturbing the plans of the insurgent command.

They added that the fighting around Saragossa during the last few days were the bloodiest and most violent since the beginning of the civil war, with powerful artillery and numerous tanks taking part.

It is reported from Spanish nationalist quarters that despite the recent attacks by Republicans, General Franco will start a grand offensive on other sectors of the Aragon front. —Havas.

Madrid Sector

Madrid, Oct. 17.

Severe fighting has been raging on the Madrid Front in the vicinity of Andalusia road. Nationalist troops, supported by fresh reinforcements, mainly Moors succeeding in recapturing part of the ground lost previously, but this morning the Loyalists successfully counter-attacked, recovering their previous positions.—Havas.

Attack Fails

Saragossa, Oct. 17.

A Loyalist attack against this city through the Ebre valley yesterday failed, as well as another assault through Llanos de la Plana, which is situated south of Saragossa.—Havas.

"IRON LUNG" MOVES TO FLORIDA

Mr. F. B. Snite, Jr., Off to Miami Beach

Chicago, Oct. 16.

Mr. Frederick B. Snite, Jr., otherwise known as "the man in the iron lung," will start on another graphic journey on Monday, it was announced by his father, Mr. F. B. Snite, Sr., wealthy department store owner, today.

The youth, plus his new "iron lung" equipment, will travel to Miami Beach, where his father has built a modernistic sanatorium. Miami Beach was chosen as the new venue where the youth may rest because of favourable reports on the climate by doctors.

The younger Snite had the world's news wires abuzzing when he began the most unique trip in medical history from Peiping last May. The youth, who was stricken with infantile paralysis in the spring of 1936 while touring in Peiping, has now been living in the special "iron lung" for some twenty months. He was taken to his home in Chicago last summer, passing through Shanghai with a large retinue of medical attendants.—United Press.

Two Liners Off Woosung From Europe To-day

Felix Roussel and Comorin Arriving

COASTAL SHIPPING KEEPS TO REGULAR SCHEDULE

Two liners from Europe are due in at Shanghai to-day. The Messageries Maritimes mv. Felix Roussel is expected to arrive at Woosung from Marseilles via the usual ports at about 7 a.m. P. & O. ships scheduled to arrive here in the near future are the ss. Comorin, which is due in to-day, and the ss. Bhutan, which is expected to arrive here on October 28.

Meanwhile Shanghai coastal steamers are keeping up a regular schedule in spite of unsettled conditions in the port. The Jardine's ss. Leesang is due to arrive here to-morrow from Tsingtao, Chefoo and Tientsin, and will berth at the Kinleeyuen Wharf. The ss. Yatshing is also expected to-morrow from Hongkong and Swatow.

The ss. Kwaisang is due to leave to-morrow for Swatow and Hongkong from the Peking Road Jetty. The ss. Tingsang leaves the Kinleeyuen Wharf for Tsingtao, Chefoo and Tientsin at noon to-morrow. The ss. Leesang leaves for Hongkong on Wednesday. Jardine's steamers at present in port are the ss. Fooshing, berthed at the Peking Road Jetty, and the ss. Fuhwo and Tungwo, berthed at the Yangtszepoo Dock.

Shuntien Leaves To-morrow

The B. & S. ss. Shuntien, which arrived in Shanghai yesterday from the north, is due to sail again for Tsingtao, Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin to-morrow at 10 a.m. from the French Bund. The ss. Taiyuan leaves the French Bund for the same ports at 10 a.m. on Friday. The ss. Shantung leaves the French Bund for Amoy and Hongkong at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, and the ss. Szechuen leaves for Swatow and Hongkong at 11 a.m. on Wednesday. The ss. Soochow leaves the French Bund for Hongkong and Haiphong at 6 a.m. on Friday.

The ss. Hsin Peking leaves for Ningpo at 3 p.m. to-morrow, and the ss. Wusueh leaves for Tungchow at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

The Dollar Line has announced the cancellation of the ss. Admiral Nulton's scheduled voyage to the Orient as a result of a strike by the crew, according to a United Press message. The crew had demanded a "war bonus" of $250 each before sailing. Dollar officials denied that the ship would proceed into the danger zone, and refused the demand. Officials also announced that a similar dispute had held up the freighter Texas at Portland, Oregon.

ORANGE FREE STATE PARTY IN CONGRESS

Bloonfontein, Oct. 16.

At the congress of the National Party of the Orange Free State held here, the leader of the party, Mr. Vandermere, discussed Germany's claim to South-west Africa. The speaker stated that numerous members of the National Party believed that the injustice had been done to Germany twenty years ago should be set right again and South-west Africa should be restored to its rightful owners. The speaker admitted however that the Boer population was to-day predominant in South-west Africa. The congress, however, declined to open a debate on this question on account of its "controversial nature."—Trans-Ocean.

ENDOWMENT TRUSTS TAKEN OVER

Government in Control After Grand Mufti's Flight

MANY MORE ARRESTED IN PALESTINE

Jerusalem, Oct. 17.

The Moslem religious endowment trusts previously controlled by the Grand Mufti, who fled the country yesterday, have been taken over by the Government.

According to an announcement, the Government will administer them strictly in accordance with law and for the benefit of the objects for which they were formed, until circumstances are favourable to the establishment of a Moslem Wakfs department or other body to resume control of the trusts.

It is pointed out that the Government's action is not connected with the Mufti's flight. The plans for the assumption of the trusts were prepared previously and were announced coincidentally with the flight.

Meanwhile, curfew has been proclaimed at Lydda, where buildings were burnt down yesterday.—Reuter.

Arrests Continue

Jerusalem, Oct. 16.

The mandate authorities to-day arrested about 150 Arabs who had since the outbreak of unrest in Palestine taken a prominent part in the various agitations and had addressed public protest meetings.

The successful flight of the Grand Mufti has caused great satisfaction in Arab circles. It is however reported now that he is being kept under police supervision by the French mandate authorities in Syria and it is not known whether this is merely because of noncompliance of passport formalities or because he is to be extradited to the British mandate authorities.—Trans-Ocean.

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Schoolboys Nearly Beat Shanghai Soccer Champions

LEADERLESS A.S.F. FIGHT HARD TO WIN BY 5-4

Good Game Deserved Drawn Verdict: Winners Badly Missed Bossuet: Schultz Nets Four Times for S.F.X.

THE RECS DEFEAT SOKOL 4-3

THE Association Sportif Francais narrowly beat the S.F.X. yesterday in a Shanghai Football Association First Division match on the Race Course. Had the schoolboys levelled the score justice would have been equal.

The champions lacked a leader, a steadying influence and the game proved that "Pussy" Bossuet, who was out of the game owing to a bereavement and to whom all sportsmen extend their sympathies, is the key man of the team.

There was plenty of action and excitement to keep the crowd of several hundreds strong interested, and though the standard of play was not always of the highest it had other qualities to recommend it.

Although playing with the wind in their favour in the first half the A.S.F. just managed to hold a narrow lead. There was no mistaking the zeal of the schoolboys and they would probably ended the first half level had they kept the ball on the ground. They lacked someone in the front line who could hold the ball to advantage. Bell was the best of the French half-back line, Marcal's sliding tackle resulted in a penalty award against him. Jim Ward playing at inside left was responsible for some good opening out play.

Schultz Shines

Borodin and Stangaard stood up well against the champions, but often hesitated about going into a tackle and goals were lost as a result. S. Foyn was the pick of the halves with Schultz the best of the forwards.

Mr. Archie Sinclair who handled the game constantly pulled up players for pushing, and thus prevented any tendency towards rough play from developing. The teams were:—

A.S.F.:—Reimond; Marcal, Neuborg; Collet, Segalin, Bell; Favacho, Belinky, Roboostoff, Ward and Monnot.

S.F.X.:—Kabbet; Stangaard, Borodin; S. Foyn, Wailey, Garwood; F. Foyn, Karolick, Pettersen, Schultz, and Walley.

The A.S.F. defended the Bubbling Well Road goal, and were the first to attack but off-side held up Roboostoff. Then the school attacked Karolick sending out to the left and Segalin was fortunate not to have a penalty awarded against him when he handled. The pivot gained possession as a result and kicked for a corner. Reimond dropped the corner kick, and Schultz lobbed for Bell to clear on the line. Favacho carried play towards Kabbert, but Roboostoff was slow, and Borodin cleared. Pressure on the School goal was relieved when Segalin blazed over the bar.

Champions Open Scoring

The champions pressed and two successive corners fell to them. Kabbert took rather a risk in fisting out when he should have gathered the ball. The pressure was eased when Segalin was penalised for pushing. Jimmy Ward tried a shot from 25 yards the ball going narrowly over the bar. Monnot secured from Bell and ran down the field to cross, Belinky who used Borodin's shoulder as a lever was able to head the ball into the net for the opener after 15 minutes play.

Freddy Foyn and Karolich combined to take play to the French goal, Karolick crossed and E. Walley headed in Reimond who had advanced misjudged the flight of the ball, a timely intervention by Bell prevented the School from equalizing. The school made another raid, Pettersen, hung on to the ball to lose to Marcal. At the other end, Monnot who had moved towards the centre, shot over the bar. Karolich was again responsible for a nice movement. He crossed to Schultz who, running in, met the ball with his thigh to see it go narrowly past.

2-1 at Half Time

Play was a matter of raids by both sides, with the defences holding out by means of long kicks. The School forwards were poor marksmen and had they taken advantage of the chances presented to them they would have taken the lead. However the goal came at the other end, and should have been nullified for off-side. Belinky scoring before half time. With less than a minute to go, the ball was sent out to Schultz who dribbled past Collet and Marcal to open the score for the School. Half-time A.S.F. 2; S.F.X. 1.

The School attacked and Segalin conceded a corner. Foyn put past, then the pivot was penalised for pushing. Marcal gathered the kick and Schultz chased him to gain possession, for Pettersen to put his cross past. The A.S.F. went ahead after ten minutes play when Favacho shot the ball striking Kabbert, Favacho gathered the rebound to tap it into the net, the French had the ball in the net three minutes later, but the goal did not count. Roboostoff, slamming a free kick for dangerous play past the keeper, looked surprised when the referee awarded a goal-kick.

School Miss Chances

The School had numerous chances of gaining the led, but either shot feebly or past when well placed. They scored after 24 minutes' play, Reimond saving from Pettersen pushing the ball to Schultz who netted. The A.S.F. increased their lead three minutes later, Kabbert pushed out a shot from Belinky who passed back to Jimmy Ward who netted. Two minutes later the French were lucky to have a goal allowed, Favacho used his arm to gain possession, and slipped the ball to Roboostoff who netted.

Another goal was disallowed due to illegal charging of the keeper when he was fisting out, the ball striking a player to enter the net. Pettersen was given a through pass and Marcal used a sliding tackle to trip the centre. A penalty resulted, and Reimond managed to tip it against the crossbar, Petterson under the impression that he could not play the ball again ran out of the way of the rebound, and as a result it was cleared. In the 36th., minute Schultz reduced the deficit when he headed home a Freddy Foyn cross.

The Scholars were fighting for the lead now, and Schultz added the fourth goal, meeting a Karolick cross as he stumbled to see it go into the net. (42 mins). A minute later Karolick struck the post and put the rebound past, to repeat the effort after both Petterson and Schultz had struck defenders with shots. The inside man fired in a strong shot which flashed just outside the upright. The game ended with the school pressing.

Scorers—A.S.F. (Belinky 2, J. Ward, Roboostoff and Favacho 1 each.); S.F.X., (Schultz 4.).

THE RECS VANQUISH SOKOL

Little Good Teamwork Seen in First Division Game

By "Observer"

The wind was troublesome in yesterday's game between the Recs and Sokol on the S.R.C. ground but it could not entirely excuse the absence of intelligent co-operation or account for the generally aimless kicking.

Playing with the wind against them in the first half, the Recs., adopted wrong tactics, sending the ball via the air instead of keeping it on the ground. Sokol on the other hand pressed, and kept swinging the ball about, Tommy Allan and Marshall constantly proving stumbling blocks to their forward movements. The Teams were:—

RECS:—Burgoyne; Allan, Marshall; Oppenheim, Bulldeath, Greaves; Aldeguar, Madar, Lee, Symons, Hutchison.

SOKOL:—Bocevitch; Ivashkoff, Golkin; Lonkovsky, Hvoroff, Shestanoff; Walter, Aprilkoff, Chanhantzelf, Marintant, and Buerin.

Referee:—Mr. R. P. Hyson.

The first half was largely a case of missed chances. Buerin was conspicuous early on when he dashed along the wing to cross for Aprelkoff to test Burgoyne. At the other end Hvoroff stopped Madar from going through. Sokol then continued to press.

Play continued evenly for some time, until Walters netted for Sokol. Following the loss of this goal, the Recs., made strenuous efforts to equalize, Symons starting several good movements. First Aldeguar fired over, then Lee and Madar put past when well placed. The Russians were fast raiders, but failed to turn their efforts to advantage. A defensive blunder on the part of the back who called upon the keeper to leave the ball to him gave Symons an easy chance to equalize.

Sokol Regain Lead

The Sokol regained the lead when Marintant scored with a drive from 30 yards. They manage to hold on to this lead until the interval.

On resuming the Recs started off with a dash, and a delightful individual effort by Aldeguar saw him equalize (2mins.)

Sokol retaliated and Aprilkoff beating Johnny Greaves crossed, and Chanhantzelf with a first time drive beat Burgoyne.

From this point the Recs. took complete control of play, with Sokol making spasmodic raids which Allan and Marshall held in check.

After 16 minutes' play Lee scored with a hard drive, from a Hutchison cross. Bocevitch then saved from Madar and Hutchison, then these two players shot past immediately afterwards.

Symons Puts Recs Ahead

Recs., when into the lead when Symons sent a pass from Bulldeath to the back of the net well out of the reach of the keeper. Symons was unlucky when a shot was headed out by Golkin with Bocevitch well beaten. Sokol staged a raid and the outside left outstripped the defenders and crossed but his inside men were not able to take advantage being well out of position. Bocevitch saved with some difficulty a shot from Aldeguar, his clearance being sent over the bar by Bulldeath.

Symons dribbled forward and placed to Aldeguar who shot past, and then the inside man himself headed past a cross from Aldeguar. Lee missed an open goal from a Hutchison cross. The winger was again prominent with a fast shot which Bocevitch dived to effect a save. The game ended with Sokol making an effort to equalize for Allan to hold up the attack.

Scorers: Recs. (Symons, 2; Lee and Aldeguar, 1 each); Sokol, (Walters, Marintant and Chantantzelf 1 each).

Foreign Y v Area Details

This Third Division game played in R.G.5 ended in a win for the "Y" Although holding territorial advantage in the first half the "Y" could not score. Adopting close passing movements they fell easy victims to the soldier defenders, and halftime was reached scorelessly.

In the second half the "Y" continued to press and the Details' keeper was constantly in action. Chenturi netted for the "Y" and Alshuter added a second. Although having numerous chances to increase their lead the "Y" forwards continued to play pretty football when go ahead methods would have been more profitable. Cochrane at centre half was a strong worker and easily held up the Soldiers' attacks, being well supported by Voyce, with the result that the Logan Bros and Roberts had an easy time.

Savoia Beat R.A.M.C.

The strong Savoia team, which is said to include some fine exponents from the Royal Italian Navy, beat the R.A.M.C. 5-1 in a Second Division match. At half time the Army team led 1-nil.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

A SORTIE IN THE SCHOOLBOYS' GOALMOUTH

Kabbert pushing the ball away from the S. F. X. goalmouth in yesterday's keenly fought First Division match against the A.S.F. A moment later J. Ward got possession and scored.

BRITISH FOOTBALL GAMES REVIEWED

Brentford Lead 1st Division from Chelsea

COVENTRY MAINTAIN THE UNBROKEN RECORD

By "Scrutator"

The glorious uncertainty of soccer was demonstrated in the British fixtures played on Saturday. Portsmouth, at the foot of the table, took the first point away from Highbury this seasion and Pompey held the Gunners to a draw. Brentford solved the problem of leadership by defeating Charlton who dropped into the fifth berth as a result of this defeat. Chelsea, by virtue of a victory at Blackpool, move into second berth, Brentford having played one game than the Pensioners. Bolton Wanderers went down badly at home to Preston North End. This marked the first away win of the North End. Everton secured their first draw of the season, dropping a home point to Leeds United who are now fourth in the table. The Wolves move into third place and appear to be improving. Grimsby won their first away game at the expense of Hudde: field who lost their first home game. The Fishermen usually do well at Huddersfield.

Second Division Changes

In the Second Division, Chesterfield, who defeated Aston Villa the previous week, went down at home to Bury and drop in the table as a result. Sheffield United, who won the local Derby against the Wednesday going into second place as challengers to Coventry who retained their unbeaten record as the result of taking a point from Swansea. Bradford also dropped a point at home.

Fulham vacate the bottom position as a result of defeating the Spurs at home. Plymouth Argyle again failed at home losing to Burnley and take over the last position in the league table. Unless Bob Jack, the manager, can obtain some new blood the Argyle look destined for a spell in the Third Division.

The Third Division also produced some surprises, Notts County losing at home to Bournemouth who registered their first away victory of the season. Millwall go to the top of the table defeating Southend at home. Cardiff, who have played a game less than both Milwall and Notts, kept in touch with the leaders gaining a point at Newport.

Gillingham as the result of allowing Bristol Rovers to mark up their first away victory drop into the bottom berth. Aldershot also failed at home to Clapton Orient, and drop a place lower in the table. Exeter, by a victory over Mansfield, leave the bottom berth. Watford lost their first home game of the season to Northampton, who registered their first away victory as a result, Q. P. Rangers failed at Reading.

Northerners True To Form

In the Northern Division the results were in accordance with form. Lincoln, Chester and Oldham all returning in wins. Doncaster failed to win at Crewe, earning a point from a draw.

At the bottom, Barrow dropped two points at home to Rochdale, whilst Southport gained a point from Port Vale.

In Scotland, Rangers were cup hunting, winning the Glasgow Cup Final by defeating Third Lanark. Motherwell take the leadership as a result of the Rangers not playing a league game. The Hearts of Midlothian look like challenging the "Old Firm" Dundee being their latest victims. The loss of Guthrie appears to have been a big blow to the Jutemen.

Clyde Sliding

Hibernains gained two useful points from Arbroath which takes them from the bottom. Clyde must be causing Russell Moreland, the manager, many sleepless nights, they are now resting at the foot of the table. Ayr who went down badly to Hearts returned to winning form at the expense of Aberdeen.

In the second division Dumbarton one of the promotion aspirants dropped a home point to Raith, whilst Dunfermline gained one from Albion Rovers. Cowdenbeath did not show championship form at home going down in a high scoring game to Leith.

The Standings

English League

First Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Brentford	12	7	2	3	23	16	16
Chelsea	11	7	1	3	26	17	15
Wolverhampton	11	6	2	3	18	13	14
Charlton Ath.	11	5	4	2	17	13	14
Leeds	11	5	4	2	15	11	14
Arsenal	11	5	3	3	23	13	13
Preston N. E.	11	5	3	3	20	12	13
West Brom. A.	11	6	1	4	20	18	13
Sunderland	11	6	1	4	16	22	13
Stoke	11	5	2	4	23	13	12
Bolton Wan.	11	5	2	4	19	14	12
Manchester City	11	5	2	4	22	18	12
Huddersfield	11	5	0	6	15	17	10
Leicester City	11	4	2	5	17	20	10
Middlesbrough	11	4	2	5	16	19	10
Birmingham	11	2	5	4	16	16	9
Everton	11	4	1	6	15	17	9
Derby County	11	2	5	4	14	26	9
Grimsby Town	11	2	4	5	11	18	8
Blackpool	11	2	3	7	14	23	7
Liverpool	11	3	1	7	13	23	7
Portsmouth	11	0	4	7	15	29	4

Second Division

Coventry	11	6	5	0	17	10	17
Sheffield United	12	7	2	3	14	13	16
Aston Villa	11	7	1	3	19	9	15
Bradford	11	5	5	1	17	10	15
West Ham	11	5	4	2	19	9	14
Chesterfield	11	6	2	3	22	13	14
Norwich City	11	6	2	3	25	23	14
Burnley	12	5	4	3	17	17	14
Stockport	11	5	2	4	10	13	12
Blackburn Rov.	11	3	5	3	20	17	11
Swansea	11	3	5	3	15	16	11
Notts Forest	11	4	3	4	11	11	11
Tottenham	11	4	2	5	21	16	10
Manchester U.	11	4	2	5	14	11	10
Barnsley	11	4	2	5	17	20	10
Southampton	11	3	3	5	18	23	9
Bury	11	4	1	6	9	13	9
Luton	11	3	1	7	15	22	7
Fulham	11	1	5	5	11	19	7
Sheffield Wed.	11	2	3	6	9	18	7
Newcastle U.	11	1	4	6	13	19	6
Plymouth	11	1	3	7	11	22	5

Third Division (South)

Millwall	12	6	4	2	21	12	16
Notts County	12	6	3	3	17	9	15
Cardiff City	11	6	2	3	27	14	14
Queen's Park R.	11	5	4	2	17	10	14
Swindon Town	11	6	2	3	15	9	14
Watford	11	5	3	3	22	13	13
Crystal Palace	11	5	3	3	17	13	13
Bristol City	11	4	4	3	15	13	12
Torquay	11	6	0	5	18	18	12
Southend United	11	5	2	4	16	16	12
Mansfield Town	12	4	4	4	16	17	12
Brighton & Hove	11	5	1	5	19	17	11
Clapton Orient	11	5	1	5	15	15	11
Reading	11	4	3	4	11	16	11
Bournemouth	11	4	2	5	11	14	10
Bristol Rovers	11	3	4	4	9	18	10
Newport County	11	3	3	5	17	19	9
Northampton T.	11	3	3	5	11	17	9
Exeter City	11	2	5	6	14	20	9
Walsall	12	3	1	8	10	20	7
Aldershot	11	2	3	6	9	19	7
Gillingham	11	2	2	7	11	19	6

Third Division (North)

Lincoln City	11	7	2	2	27	8	16
Chester	11	6	4	1	19	11	16
Oldham A.	11	6	3	2	19	7	15
Gateshead	10	6	3	1	21	13	15
Doncaster R.	10	6	2	2	20	10	14
Hull City	11	5	4	2	17	10	14
Port Vale	11	5	3	3	21	15	13
Rotherham	11	6	1	4	20	15	13
Tranmere Rovers	11	5	2	4	19	11	12
York City	10	4	3	3	19	18	11
New Brighton	11	5	1	5	19	18	11
Wrexham	12	4	3	5	14	21	11
Carlisle United	11	5	0	6	15	20	10
Rochdale	11	4	2	5	14	23	10
Bradford C.	11	3	3	5	17	20	9
Darlington	10	3	3	4	14	18	9
Accrington S.	11	3	2	6	10	16	8
Crewe A.	11	3	2	7	8	13	8
Hartlepools	12	3	1	8	14	25	7
Southport	11	2	3	6	13	19	7
Halifax T.	11	2	2	7	11	23	6
Barrow	11	2	2	7	5	23	6

Scottish League

First Division

Motherwell	12	8	2	2	26	12	18
Rangers	11	6	5	0	21	6	17
Hearts	11	8	1	2	29	12	17
Falkirk	11	6	4	1	26	14	16
Celtic	12	6	3	3	26	21	16
Dundee	12	8	0	4	23	20	16
Aberdeen	12	6	1	5	29	23	12
Abroath	12	5	2	5	16	22	12
St. Mirren	12	5	2	5	19	26	12
Third Lanark	12	4	3	5	21	19	11
St. Johnstone	11	5	1	5	27	27	11
Partick	11	4	3	4	18	19	11
Ayr	11	4	3	4	24	30	11
Hamilton	12	4	1	7	22	27	9
Queens Park	12	3	3	6	19	27	9
Kilmarnock	11	3	2	6	16	28	8
Morton	11	3	1	7	20	28	7
Hibernians	11	2	3	6	17	24	7
Q. of South	11	1	4	6	14	26	6
Clyde	12	1	4	7	20	34	6

British Marksmen on Empire Tour

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Liverpool, Oct. 17.

Fourteen of England's finest marksmen left to-day for test matches in South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

The team is the youngest ever sent from Britain, the average age being 26. It will compete for the Empire Trophy in Sydney in February and in competitions organized in connection with the 150th anniversary of New South Wales.—Reuter.

THE BRITISH RUGBY UNION RESULTS

The London Scottish Defeat Blackheath, 13-8

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Oct. 16.

Rugby, Union matches played today:

Aldershot Services 0, Bath 0
Bradford 4, Birkenhead Park 20
Cambridge University 22, Harlequins 15
Coventry 19, Nuneaton 8
Gloucester 23, Torquay Athletic 0
Guy's Hospital 13, Plymouth Albion 11
Leicester 12, Newport 3
Llanelly 26, Pontypridd 12
London Irish 3, London Welsh 8
London Scottish 13, Blackheath 8
Manchester 16, Liverpool 11
Northampton 3, Bedford 3
Pontypool 10, Bristol 15
Rosslyn Park 11, Richmond 0
Wasps 20, King's College Hospital 3
Old Merchant Taylors 8, Oxford University 11
Aberavon 6, Neath 10.
Bridgend 8, Maesteg 3
Swansea 7, Cardiff 0
Portsmouth Services 27, Devonport Services 7
Heriotonians 28, Gala 3
Watsonians 15, Edinburgh Wanders 0.
—Reuter.

CHINA TO BOYCOTT 1940 OLYMPIAD

Chinese athletic authorities in Shanghai are launching a movement for China to boycott the Olympiad to be held at Tokyo in 1940.

PITTSBURG HELD TO SCORELESS DRAW

Fordham Brilliant Against East Champions

YALE BEATS THE ARMY BY 15-7

New York, Oct. 16.

Mighty Pittsburgh, champions of the East last year, who had high hopes of repeating their success this year were rudely shaken out of their dreams when they were stopped by Fordham to-day. The two teams battled to a scoreless tie in a brilliant game marked by excellent defence tactics of both squads.

Till to-day powerful Pitt had a perfect record, sweeping aside all opposition. But Fordhum proved to be difficult an obstacle and Pitts' march toward another championship was momentarilly halted.

To-day's football programme as marked by an unusually large number of drawn games and several upsets.

Gophers Win Again

Minnesota's Gophers rated by many critics as the leading team of the 1936 season, again ran through to expected form when they romped to an easy victory over Michigan, 39 to 6. For a time Minnesota were badly shaken up following defeat suffered on October 9 at the hands of its traditional rival, Nebraska which won by 14 to 9.

The Washington Huskies, champions of the Pacific Coast last season, showed renewed life in through play to-day but could not do better than tie with Washington State, seven-all.

Navy and Harvard battled to a scoreless deadlock, but Yale trounced the Army by 13 to 7.

Northwestern, Big Ten titleholders, walloped the Boilermakers of Purdue by 14 to 7, while Princeton whipped Chicago, 16 to 7.

The California teams enjoyed a fair measure of success. California played in two games, beating the California Aggies by 14 to 0 and the College of the Pacific, champions of the Far West, by 20 to 0. Then University of Southern California handed Oregon a drubbing, 34 to 14, but the University California at Los Angeles was held to a draw by Oregon State, seven-all.

Dartmouth, Ivy League winners last year, had an easy time with Brown, winning by 41 to 0, while Duke, southern champion, just edged Georgia Tech, 20 to 19.

Scores

Lake Forest 0, North Carolina 7
Navy 0, Harvard 0
Colgate 6, Tulane 7
Carnegie Tech 9, Notre Dame 7
Michigan 6, Minnesota 39
Fordham 0, Pittsburgh 0
Brown 0, Darmouth 41
Holy Cross 7, Georgia 6
Yale 15, Army 7
Columbia 26, Pennsylvania 6
Northwestern 14, Purdue 7
Clarkson 2, Boston 35
Penn State 14, Lehigh 7
Rochester 0, Amherst 41
Georgetown 0, Lafayette 6
Kansas State 13, Marquette 0
Missouri 0, Michigan State 2
Springfield 0, Rutgers 26
Georgia Tech 19, Duke 20
Tennessee 7, Alabama 14
Manhattan 0, Villanova 20
New York U. 59, St. John's 0
Kansas 14, Iowa State 6
Prinecton 16, Chicago 7
Indiana 13, Illinois 6
Richmond 7, Virginia Mil. Inst. 21
Williams 12, Bowdoin 6
Auburn 33, Mississippi State 7
Southern Methodist 0, Vanderbilt 6
South Carolina 12, Davidson 7
Wisconsin 13, Iowa 6
California 14, California Aggies 0
Baylor 20, Centenary 0
Rice 0, Tulsa 0
Citadel 8, Furman 0
Arkansas 21, Texas 10
Texas Christian 7, Texas A. 7
Washington-Jefferson 7, Dickinson 7
Wyoming 7, Colorado State 0
Washington State 7, Washington 7
New Mexico 7, Texas Mine 7
California 20, College of Pacific 0 (second game for California)
Nevada 27, Chico 0
William Mary 37, Gulford 0
Kentucky 41, Washington Lee 6
U.S.C. 34, Oregon 14
Oregon State 7, U.C.L.A. 7.
—United Press.

AUSTIN WINS COVERED COURTS TITLE

London, Oct. 17.

H.W. Austin, the British ace, won the National covered courts' lawn tennis championship at the Queen's Club to-day, defeating Kalle Schroeder, the Swedish holder by 6-2, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2.

The women's title went to Miss Margaret Scriven after an easy match in an all-British final. Her opponent, Mrs. King, was outclassed, losing by 6-1, 6-2.—Reuter.

BANK WINS ANNUAL HONG MATCH

The Taikoo Players Trail by 115 Runs

E. W. STAGG'S BOWLING EPIC OF GAME

Wayfoong defeated Taikoo by 115 runs in the annual match which was played off yesterday on the Cricket Club ground, the Bank being too strong for their rivals from B. & S., and taking the measure of their opponents fairly early in the day. This victory maintained the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank's run of successes, for their side was able to defeat the Butterfield & Swire team last year.

The match started at 11.30 a.m. and at the tiffin interval, speeches were made in connnection with the friendly rivalry long existent between these two firms. Mr. A. C. Leith, on behalf of the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, spoke interestingly and a similar speech was made by T. J. Fisher, of Butterfield & Swire. Although neither team could field a side composed of regular cricketers of this season, some of those who do not play regularly, and particularly the veterans, who in years past have been good at cricket, rose to the occasion and quite eclipsed the regular players.

Profitable Partnership

Wayfoong won the toss and had first knock, a fairly slow start being accelerated by the advent of R. B. Gotch and W. H. B. Rigg, who in a profitable partnership added 125 runs to the earlier score, with the result that the Bank side declared for 188 runs for 8 wickets down. Taikoo in reply opened steadily, and appeared to be set for a good score, but with the five wickets down, they faded out of the picture and the whole team was skittled for but 73 runs.

Outstanding of the day's batsmen were W. H. B. Rigg and R. B. Gotch. In their great partnership, the former scored 64 runs before he was caught by Whipple off Maclaren, while R. B. Gotch got 57 before he was dismissed. Rigg had a life early on, but on the whole both played excellently and their score was testimony to the good display they gave. E. W. Stagg, opened for the winners and scored 14 runs, while W. H. Lydall scored 17, these two and G. S. Dunkley reaching double figures, indication being thereby given that the Bank owed their good score to Gotch and Rigg's display.

For the losers, only H. T. Smith and R. J. Tippin reached double figures, the former getting 13 and the latter 12. The remainder of the team failed to withstand the bowling of E. W. Stagg and were skittled rapidly.

Bewildering Breaks

While the Bank's outstanding batsmen came in for considerable praise, equally good, if not a better performance was turned in by E. W. Stagg—a veteran who has long withdrawn from active play, but who in his day was an outstanding player. Stagg's slow breaks so bewildered the Taikoo batsmen that he was able to return the remarkable average of 7 wickets for 33 runs—and that for a cricketer approaching his 50th years, shows that the veterans can still show a thing or two to their younger colleagues. Apart from Stagg's bowling, W. H. B. Rigg capped his earlier batting success by taking two wickets for 25 runs in 8 overs, while Dunkley forsook his customary position as wicket keeper to indulge in four overs himself and returned a wicket for 9 runs.

E. Maclaren, another of the older school, returned the best average for the Taikoo attack, taking 3 wickets for 28 runs in 6 overs, G. C. Williams being more expensive and taking 3 for 60 while J. C. Lucas who bowled no less than 18 overs took 2 for 49. Scores:—

Wayfoong

E. W. Stagg, l.b.w., b. Lucas	14
G. S. Dunkley, c. Turner, b. Lucas	12
R. B. Gotch, c. Hunter, b. Maclaren	57
N. J. Stabb, b. Williams	0
W. H. B. Rigg, c. Whipple, b. Maclaren	64
W. H. Lydall, c. and b. Williams	17
M. W. Turner, st. Smith, b. Maclaren	5
A. E. J. Partridge, not out	2
J. A. McGregor, b. Williams	0
W. R. McCutcheon, not out	2
Extras	15
Total for 8 wickets (decl.)	188

A. M. Kennedy did not bat.

Fall of wickets: 1-29, 2-30, 3-32, 4-157, 5-161, 6-178.

Bowling analysis:	O.	M.	R.	W.
L. A. Whipple	10	1	36	0
J. C. Lucas	18	1	49	2
G. C. Williams	14	2	60	3
E. Maclaren	6	0	28	3

Taikoo

L. A. Whipple, b. Rigg	8
G. C. Williams, st. Lydall, b. Stagg	8
E. Maclaren, b. Stagg	2
J. R. L. Marr, c. Dunkley, b. Stagg	2
H. T. Smith, c. Dunkley, b. Stagg	13
R. J. Tippin, c. McCutcheon, b. Stagg	12
J. C. Lucas, c. and b. Rigg	9
C. B. Broadbent, b. Stagg	1
I. M. Macrae, b. Stagg	1
R. G. Adams, not out	7
E. D. Hunter, b. Dunkley	1
Extras	8
Total	73

Fall of wickets: 1-16, 2-18, 3-21, 4-34, 5-51, 6-52, 7-55, 8-63, 9-63.

Bowling analysis:	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. W. Stagg	13	0	33	7
G. S. Dunkley	4	0	9	1
W. H. B. Rigg	8	2	25	2

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FROM DAY TO DAY

A copy of the Journal of Clinical Medicine, issued quarterly by the Shanghai Medical Society, for July-September, has been received.

Private radio receiving licenses issued by the Canadian Government in the first four months of the current fiscal year numbered 763,472 as compared with 1,038,500 in the whole twelve months of the preceding fiscal year.

The Spanish Embassy, in Mexico City representing Madrid, to-day issued a statement alleging that twelve Italians were executed in Ravena, Italy, for refusing duty with the Italian Army in Spain.

Amongst the passengers who left port on the ss. Andre Lebon on Saturday were—Messrs. D. R. Glass, C. L. Williams, R. R. Roxburgh, J. F. Macgregor, S. Howard, A. Billingham, Capt. Shinn and Doctors A. Korff and H. Sternberg.

Members of St. Andrew's Society who have not received their copy of the Annual Report are asked to communicate with the Hon. Secretary, R. Fyfe, Shanghai Electric Construction Co., Ltd., 185 Soochow Road.

The Bishop of Hongkong, the Rt. Rev. R. C. Hall, has made an appeal to friends in England for £1,000, in aid of the Taipo Rural Home and Orphanage, which was recently damaged in a severe typhoon.

M. Paul Bargeton, acting Director for political and commercial affairs at the Quai d'Orsay has been appointed Ambassador to Brussels, it was officially announced in Paris on October 16. He will replace M. Jules Laroche, who will be placed on retirement.

An extensive tour of the famous Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra under Wilhelm Furtwaengler is announced for next spring. After concerts at Zurich and Florence, the orchestra and its distinguished conductor will proceed to London where Dr. Furtwaengler will conduct the performances of Wagner's "Ring," after which they will leave for Paris.

Fourteen additional "young intellectuals" were to-day sentenced as conspirators against Fascism by the Secret Tribunal for the Defence of the Fascist State. They were given terms from two to eighteen years. The number of convictions during the past four days was now more than forty. Most of those sentenced were under the age of thirty and did not belong to the working-class.

The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Duff Cooper, left here on October 16 on board the Admiralty yacht "Echantress." The British Chargé d'Affaires, Mr. Kelly, gave a dinner for Mr. Duff Cooper last night, the distinguished guests including the Commander-in-chief of the British Mediterranean fleet Sir Dudley Pound, the Commander-in-chief of the British forces in Egypt, General Weir the Commander-in-chief of the British airforce in Egypt General Maclean, the Egyptian Premier Nahas Pasha, the deputy Foreign Minister Makram Ebeid and the Egyptian War Minister Lewn Sidky.

"DAILY TELEGRAPH" WINS LIBEL CASE

Fascist Paper to Pay Large Sums in Damages

London, Oct. 15.

In the King's Bench Division of the High Court to-day, a special jury awarded Lord Camrose, the editor in-chief, and the "Daily Telegraph" the sums of £12,500 and £7,500 damages respectively in a libel action against the Fascist newspaper "Action," the proprietors and publishers of the newspaper, the Argus Press (printers), and the former M.P., Mr. John Beckett (editor).

According to he plaintiffs, the journal had implied that Lord Camrose was a Jewish international financier with no loyalty to the Crown and no sense of patriotism, and that in the conduct of the "Daily Telegraph" he had allowed his duty to the public to be subordinated to his own financial interests.

The jury found that the words used were defamatory and actuated by malice, and were neither fair comment nor true.—Reuter.

NICARAGUA PROTESTS TO THE LEAGUE

Subjects in Honduras Suffer for "Stamp Dispute"

Geneva, Oct. 16.

The famous "stamp war" between Nicaragua and Honduras had its repercussions in Geneva, when M. Joseph Avenol, Secretary-General of the League, received two notes couched in strong terms from the Nicaraguan Government protesting against "the acts of violence to which her nationals were subjected in Honduras following the recent territorial dispute."

It was noted that the two protests were sent by air mail with the offending stamps given a prominent position on the envelopes.—Havas.

U.S. MARSHAL SEIZES CHINA-BOUND SHIP

Seattle, Oct. 16.

The United States Marshal to-day seized the freighter Haida, loaded with $5,000 worth of sulphur destined for China. The sulphur was to be used for the manufacture of gun powder, it is alleged. This action was taken after a seaman, Saturnino Garrido, sued the ship's owners for $25,000 damages for personal injuries. —United Press.

JAPANESE, CHINESE BARRED FROM MEXICO

Mexico City, Oct. 16.

General Largo Cardenas, President of Mexico, to-day ordered Mexican diplomats and consuls in China and Japan to cancel all emigration permits to Mexico from China and Japan because of the cholera epidemic in the Far East.—United Press.

Commerce and Finance

MONEY & EXCHANGE

WINNIPEG WHEAT FUTURES

London, ready	19½d.
London, forward	19⅝d.

FOREIGN MONEY RATES

London: Oct. 16.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	3⅜%
Bank Bills,	6 ,,	3½%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 ,,	2½%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 ,,	2¾%
Call Money		0½%

New York Closed.—Reuter.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: Oct. 16.

Japan	77⅜	London	1/6 7/64
New York	26⅞	2 mths	
Shanghai	80¼	,, (sellers)	1/6 7/64
Hongkong	84⅛	,, (buyers)	1/6 7/64

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	425.90	Shanghai	1/2½
Paris	147.25	Bombay	1/6⅛
Berlin	12.24¾	Hongkong	1/3⅛
Amsterdam	8.97	Singapore	2/4⅛
Brussels	29.43	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	75.90	,, (Buying)	1/1 33
Milan	94.22	C'Slovakia	141.62
Berne	21.55		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.17	Japan	28.90
Spain	6.35	Shanghai	29.54
Brussels	16.86	Austria	18.85
Paris	3.36¾	C'Slovakia	3.50¼
Holland	55.29	Hungary	19.75
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.74
S'zerland	23.02	Yugo Slavia	2.33
Sweden	25.53⅛	Greece	0.91
Norway	24.92½	Bulgaria	1.95
Denmark	22.15	Finland	2.20
Montreal	100 3/32	Poland	18.92
Brazil	8.35		
London			4.95⅞
London Demand			4.95¾
London Bankers' 60 Days Bills			4.95⅛
London Commercial 60 Days Bills			4.95⅛
Buenos Aires, Paper			20.75
Buenos Aires, Paper Market Rate			29.97
Montreal on London			4.95⅛

—Reuter.

LONDON MONEY MARKET

London, Oct. 16.

Although a portion of the funds sent here sometime back for safety first reasons is now returning home, borrowers found plenty of cheap credit at their disposal. In fact, the amount of capital seeking temporary employment is causing embarrassment to discount brokers, whose quota of this week's Treasury Bills were again reduced, owing to keen competition from interests outside usual market circles.—Reuter.

GERMAN EXPORT SURPLUS FOR SEPTEMBER

Berlin, Oct. 16.

Germany's exports during the month of September exceeded her imports in value by 32,000,000 Marks, as compared with a surplus of 76,000,000 in September of last year, according to official foreign trade statistics issued here to-day.

The exports in September 1937 totalled 494,000,000 Marks as against 411,0000,000 in August 1937 and 412,000,000 in September 1936, while the imports are returned at 462,000,000 as against 482,000,000 in August 1937 and 336,000,000 in September of last year. Although both exports and imports show a decline against the preceding month, they both reveal a substantial increase in comparison with the same month of 1936. The decline in exports by comparison with August 1937 was about nine per cent., mostly due to the decrease in the exports to overseas countries. The decline of 20,000,000 Marks in the value of imports as compared with the previous month was due to a decrease of 5,000,000 in the import of foodstuffs and the rest mainly in industrial raw materials. — Trans-Ocean.

U.S. COMMODITIES

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Oct. 16.

The cotton market early advanced on Liverpool cables and foreign and trade buying, with Liverpool and Bombay conspicuous buyers. Hedge-selling was again light, and, with contracts scarce, prices advanced easily, although, when early orders were filled, the market reacted partially on realizing and commission house and local selling. Finally, the market closed steady, with quotations ranging from 4 to 9 points up.

After reflecting the steadiness of London advices, the rubber market declined on trade selling, which was attributed to Far Eastern pressure. Shorts bought on the scale-down. At the last call-over losses of 35 to 42 points were recorded.

Wheat prices in Chicago early declined on general selling, the easiness of cables, helpful rains in Australia, a limited foreign demand and beneficial moisture being received in the dry areas of Kansas. Finally, prices advanced on mill buying in sympathy with Winnipeg and evening-up operations. At the final bell, losses of 1⅛ to 1½ cents were registered.—Reuter.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Dec.	8.32-33 +06	Dec.	16.12-16 —38
Jan.	8.32-32 +09	Mar.	16.23-25 —38
Mar.	8.30-30 +07	May	16.33-33 —35
May	8.29-31 +05	July	16.32-32 —42
July	8.30-30 +04		
Oct.	8.40-40 —		

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
Dec.	99⅛-99¼—1⅛	Dec.	59-58⅞ +⅛
May	99⅜-99⅝—1½	May	60-60 +⅛

Winnipeg Wheat	Montreal Silver
Oct. 125⅝-123¾—½	Mar. 44.60B-50A unc.
Dec. 118⅝-118⅝—⅞	
May 117½-117½—1	

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

BRITISH COMMODITIES

Saturday's Closing Quotations

London, Oct. 16.

Quiet conditions prevailed in the London commodity markets.—Reuter.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 7⅛ unch; sellers 8 —⅛; Nov. delivery buyers 7⅛ —⅛; sellers 8⅛ unch; London Sugar (Buyers): Dec. 6/5¾ +¼; Mar. 6/6 unch; May 6/6½ unch; Liverpool Wheat: Dec. 8/6 —1¼; Mar. 8/3⅝ —1; May 8/2⅛ —1⅛; Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Oct 4.73 +9; Dec. 4.78 +9; Jan. 4.79 +9; Mar. 4.84 +10; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7): Oct. 6.20 —5; Jan. 6.70 +6; March 6.79 +5; May 6.89 +6.—London Metals: Closed.—Reuter.

BOMBAY COTTON MARKET

Bombay, Oct. 16.

The Bombay cotton market during the past week generally followed America, where the staggeringly high "bureau" report adversely affected local prices with a consequent slowing down of trade demand, coupled with quiet spot markets.

Japanese demand was absent owing to the lack of permits, while Europe and Lancashire are still awaiting a cheapening of the parity compared with American cotton.

Local mills did not show particular interest, as their requirements were well covered.

Crop prospects generally continued to be satisfactory, except for minor complaints.—Reuter.

STEEL COMPANIES FOLLOW CARNEGIE'S LEAD

New York, Oct. 16.

Independent steel makers, according to an announcement made to-day, are following the action of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Company in extending current steel prices till the first quarter of 1938.—Reuter.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Range of Fluctuation and Dividends of Certain Stocks

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Name of Stock (No par value except where indicated)	Dividends: Annual rate $	Dividends: Date of 1st quarterly payment	Book value	Earnings or Deficits: 5 yr. Average 1926-30	1934	1935	1936	Yield on basis of price in %
Adams Express	0.65†	Irregular	13	—	0.10	0.10	0.50	6
American Can 25	4*	Feb. 15	61	6.29	6.72	5.83	5.80	4*
Am. and Foreign Power	—	—	—	1.43	D11.12	D10.32	D 9.45	nil
Am. and For. P. $7 cum. Pref.	—	—	110	23.49	2.46	4.15	5.84	nil
Am. Locomotive	—	—	12	4.20	D 6.02	D 5.12	D 1.75	nil
Am. Radiator	0.60*	Sept. 30	12	1.84	0.11	0.25	0.70	5*
Am. Rolling Mill	2	Jan. 15	33	2.46	0.50	2.20	2.25	8
American Smelting	3*	Feb. 28	52	7.27	1.63	5.01	6.85	5*
Am. Tel. and Tel. 100	9	Jan. 15	128	11.30	5.96	7.12	9.89	6
Am. Tob. "B" 25	5	Mar. 1	27	6.00	4.46	4.57	3.71	7
Am. Waterworks	0.80	Mar. 15	35	2.80	1.03	1.32	1.52	7
Anaconda Copper	2	Mar. 29	55	4.97	0.22	1.29	1.83	6
Ath., Top. & S. Fe. 100	2	Irregular	200	10.16	0.32	1.38	1.56	4
Atlantic Refining	1*	Mar. 15	53	3.64	2.07	4.49	2.59	5*
Auburn Automobiles	—	—	28	9.72	D16.21	D12.00	D 6.67	nil
Baltimore and Ohio 100	—	—	126	11.36	D 2.41	D 2.16	0.85	nil
Bethlehem Steel	4†	Irregular	119	7.06	D 1.87	D 0.70	2.09	7
Boeing Airplane 5	—	—	6	—	D 0.43	D 0.64	0.32	nil
Borden Co. 15	1.60	Mar. 1	30	4.91	1.02	1.10	1.80	8
Bklyn. Manh. Tran.	—	—	79	6.78	7.40	5.72	5.59	nil
Canadian Pacific Rly. 25	—	—	40	3.11	D 0.20	D 0.20	0.04	nil
Case, J. I. 100	10†	Irregular	134	14.53	D 7.38	5.70	12.36	9
Chase Bank 13.55	1.40	F.A. 1	30	4.04	2.02	1.81	2.24	4
Chesapeake & Ohio 25	2.80*	Jan. 1	51	5.67	3.67	4.05	5.72	7*
Chesapeake Corp.	3	Jan. 1	62	3.15	4.07	4.03	5.69	6
Chrysler 5	1250†	Mar. 13	28	4.69	2.19	8.07	14.25	18
Columbia Gas and Electric	0.40†	Irregular	16	2.08	0.24	0.43	0.53	5
Commercial Solvents	0.60*	J. D. 30	6	1.20	0.89	1.02	0.85	7*
Commonwealth & Southern	—	—	5	0.67	D 0.04	0.01	0.13	nil
Consolidated Edison	2*	Mar. 15	52	4.50	2.18	2.01	2.33	7*
Consolidated Oil	0.80*	Feb. 15	18	—	D 0.02	0.74	1.18	8*
Continental Oil	1*	Jan. 30	17	0.64	1.03	1.57	1.78	3*
Corn Products 25	3*	Jan. 20	34	4.41	3.16	2.62	3.86	5*
Delaware and Hudson	—	—	235	12.37	D 3.38	D 5.95	0.31	nil
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	—	—	13	nil	0.54	5.04	2.42	nil
Douglas Aircraft	—	—	12	1.50	0.08	2.70	1.74	nil
Dupont de Nemours 20	6.25†	Mar. 15	36	5.17	3.63	5.02	7.54	5
Electric Bond & Share 5	—	—	27	2.15	0.21	0.16	0.17	nil
Elec. Bond & Share $6 Pref.	6	Feb. 1	110	—	6.55	6.39	6.42	11
General Electric	1.60	Jan. 25	11	1.81	0.59	0.97	1.52	4
General Foods	2*	Feb. 15	11	3.86	2.12	2.23	2.71	6*
General Motors 10	3.75†	Mar. 12	16	4.83	2.00	3.69	5.36	9
General Railway Signal	1	Jan. 2	14	7.99	D 1.50	1.75	0.17	5
Goodrich Rubber	2†	Irregular	23	2.09	0.41	1.18	4.03	11
Goodyear Tire and Rubber	1.50†	Irregular	21	5.12	D 0.66	0.12	3.90	7
Great Northern Ry. Pfd.	—	—	157	9.47	D 0.43	2.87	3.99	nil
Hecker Products	0.60*	Feb. 1	13	3.58	0.48	0.97	0.71	7*
Int. Nickel	2	Mar. 30	32	3.55	1.13	1.65	2.40	4
Int. Tel. and Tel.	—	—	38	3.45	0.33	0.90	0.63	nil
Kennecott	2*	Mar. 30	29	3.67	0.53	1.22	2.36	5*
Loew's Inc.	8.50†	Mar. 30	51	6.71	4.50	4.49	6.73	13
Lorillard P. Co. (com.) 10	1.20*	Jan. 2	18	1.27	1.15	1.26	1.51	7*
Montgomery Ward	4.90†	Apr. 15	28	2.51	1.72	2.65	3.63	12
Nat. City Bank N.Y. 12½	1	F.A. 1	25	2.12	2.00	1.82	2.13	8
Nat. Dairy Products	1.20	Jan. 2	12	3.58	0.94	1.38	2.01	8
National Distillers	2*	Feb. 1	18	—	5.51	3.44	3.81	9*
Nat. Power and Light	0.60	Mar. 1	21	1.74	0.85	0.85	0.99	9
New York Central	—	—	142	12.63	D 1.54	0.02	1.79	nil
North American Co.	1.20*	Jan. 2	22	2.47	1.04	1.35	1.74	7*
Pacific Gas and Electric 25	2	Jan. 16	28	2.33	1.52	2.10	2.55	8
Pacific Lighting	3	Feb. 15	9	2.70	2.72	4.35	3.88	8
Packard Motors	0.35†	Irregular	3	1.11	D 0.49	0.22	0.47	6
Pennsylvania Railroad 50	1.50†	Irregular	89	7.01	1.43	1.81	2.94	6
Phillips Petroleum	2*	Mar. 1	34	3.69	1.58	3.33	4.02	5*
Public Service of N.J.	2.60	Mar. 30	31	3.15	2.95	2.73	2.80	7
Pure Oil	—	—	21	1.77	D 0.97	2.00	1.63	nil
Radio Corp.	—	—	nil	1.32	D 0.10	D 0.04	0.21	nil
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	3	Jan. 1	14	3.04	2.15	2.39	2.93	7
Schenley 5	7.75†	Mar. 31	26	—	6.64	7.65	7.05	26
Sears Roebuck	7†	Mar. 16	40	5.03	3.13	4.45	5.60	10
Socony Vacuum Corp. 15	0.50*	M. S. 15	20	—	0.76	0.72	1.38	3*
So. California Edison 25	1.50	Feb. 15	31	3.07	1.17	1.65	2.45	7
Southern Pacific 100	—	—	196	10.19	0.11	0.62	3.84	nil
Standard Brands	0.80*	Jan. 2	4	1.53	1.06	0.97	1.13	9*
Standard Gas & Electric	—	—	50	6.59	D 1.95	D 1.89	D 0.99	nil
Standard Oil of N.J. 25	2.50†	J. D. 15	44	3.47	1.76	2.43	3.73	5
Sterling Products 10	3.80*	Mar. 1	17	4.52	4.79	4.84	5.05	7
Texas Gulf Sulphur	—	Mar. 15	16	5.21	1.81	1.94	2.57	7*
Transamerica	0.60	J. J. 31	7	0.82	0.48	0.88	1.08	4
Union Carbide & Carbon	3.20	Jan. 2	26	3.40	2.28	3.06	4.14	4
Union Pacific Railway 100	6	Jan. 2	198	17.53	6.63	6.54	8.20	7
United Aircraft 5	1†	Irregular	7	—	D 0.01	0.21	0.76	5
United Airlines 5	0.20	Irregular	8	—	D 2.19	nil	0.26	2
United Corp.	0.20	Irregular	7	0.55	0.17	0.11	0.19	7
United Gas Improvement 1	1	Mar. 30	11	1.29	1.19	1.09	1.09	9
U.S. Indus. Alcohol	—	—	33	7.57	4.04	2.16	D 0.20	nil
U.S. Rubber	—	—	13	nil	D 3.15	1.74	3.31	nil
U.S. Steel 100	—	—	140	12.90	D 5.39	D 2.77	2.91	nil
Vanadium	—	—	26	4.59	D 2.29	D 1.13	0.40	nil
Warner Bros. Pictures 5	—	—	15	1.84	D 0.77	0.07	0.75	nil
Westinghouse Elec. 50	6†	Feb. 28	67	1.22	D 0.04	4.49	5.67	6

*Plus extras D Deficit E Estimated †Dividends are for the latest four quarters.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Oct. 16.

Stock prices in Wall Street to-day closed irregular, with gains and losses of about 2 points evenly divided. Business news did not furnish an incentive either way, but the early rally was attributed to a revival of hopes that the Federal Authorities might ease margin requirements and a lessening of tension in Europe. The trade, however, were not disposed to follow-up advances aggressively, and bulges attracted renewed selling. The turnover to-day amounted to 1,320,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	137.39	134.75	136.30	+0.82
20 Rails	33.78	33.05	33.53	—0.31
20 Utilities	21.36	20.83	20.96	—0.11
40 Bonds	—	—	94.94	—0.15
11 Commod.	—	—	57.13	—0.24

	Oct. 15	16.
Adams Express	10¼	10⅜
Alleghany Steel	20¼	19⅛
Allis Chalmers	46	45¼
Amer. Can	89	88
Amer. Cyanamid "B"	25⅝*	25
Amer. & For. Power	3½	3⅜
,, ,, $7 cum.	25¼	25¼
Amer. Locomotive	21	21⅛
Amer. Metals	34½	35
Amer. Radiator	12⅛	12½
Amer. Rolling Mill	23⅞	24¼
Amer. Smelting	57¾	58½
Amer. Sugar Refining	30½	31
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	151¼	151¾
Amer. Tobacco "B"	73¾	74
Amer. Waterworks	11¼	11
Anaconda Copper	31¾	32¼
Atchison Topeka	44¾	42⅝
Atlantic Refining Co.	20¼	20¼
Atlas Corp.	9⅝	9¼
Auburn Auto	8¼	8½
Baltimore & Ohio	12¾	12⅝
Barber Co.	15¼	15
Barnsdall Oil Co.	14⅜	14⅜
Bethlehem Steel	56½	57⅞
Boeing Airplane	25½	25
Borden Co.	20⅛	20
Briggs Manufacturing Co.	27	27¾
Bklyn-Manhattan	12½	11⅛
,, ,, $6 cum.	38 B	33
Case, J.I.	106	105½
Canadian Pacific Rly.	8	8⅛
Celanese Corp.	22⅞	23¼
Cerro de Pasco	50*	51¾
Chase National Bank	34⅝ B	43⅛ B
Chesapeake Corp.	47¼	48
Chesapeake & Ohio	40¾	40
Chrysler	70⅝	73¼
Columbia Gas	8	8
,, 6% "A"	78⅛ B	78⅜
Commercial Credit	45¾	45
Commercial Solvents	8⅞	8⅝
Comm. & Southern	1⅝	1½
,, ,, $6 cum.	38	38
Consolidated Edison	26½	26½
Consolidated Oil	9¾	9⅝
Continental Can	48	47¼
Continental Oil	32	31⅝
Corn Products	58¾	59
Coty	4¼	4
Curtis Wright	3⅛	3⅛
,, ,, "A"	12	11⅞
Delaware & Hudson	18½	18
Delaware, Lackawanna	8⅜	8¼
Deere Co.	85½	86½
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	12	13
Douglas Aircraft	38¼	37½
Du Pont de Nemours	126¾	128⅜
Eagle Picher Lead	10⅜	11½
Elec. Boat Co.	6⅜	6⅜
Elec. Bond & Share	8⅜	8⅜
,, ,, $5 pfd.	51¼	51
,, ,, $6 pfd.	55	55½
Elec. Power & Light	10	9¾
,, ,, 7% pfd.	41	40
Flintkote	14¾	15
Gen. Cigar	25	25½
Gen. Elec.	39¾	40¼
Gen. Foods	32	33
Gen. Motors	40⅛	40⅜
Gen. Railway Signal	22½	22⅛
Glidden	29	28½
Godchaux Sugar	28½ B	29 B
Goodrich (B.F.)	18	13
,, $5 pfd.	60	55¼ B
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	21⅛	21⅞
Great Northern Railway	30⅛	30⅛
Great Western Sugar	29	29
Greyhound Corporation	10⅜	10¼
Hecker Products	8	7⅞
Humble Oil	65⅜	65½
International Nickel	43¾	45⅝
Int. Tel. & Tel.	5¾	6
Interstate Department	13⅞	14
Kennecott Copper	37⅜	38½
Lambert Co.	15½	15½
Libby Ownes Ford Glass	46½	46¾
Lockheed Aircraft	8¼	8¼
Loew's Inc.	64¼	62⅛
Lorillard	17¾	18
McKesson & Robbins Inc.	35½	35
Martin, Glenn L.	16½	15½
Missouri Pac.	1¾	1¾ B
Monsanto Chemical	86	85
Montgomery Ward	39¼	39⅜
Mountain City Copper	6½	6¼
Nat. Bond & Invest.	17 B	19
Nat. Cash Register	20	20
Nat. City Bank	31¾ B	31½ B
Nat. Dairy Products	15	15
Nat. Distillers	22½	22⅝
Nat. Power & Light	7	6¾
Nat. Steel	66	65
Nat. Supply Co.	26¼	24½
New York Central	20½	21
Niagara Hudson & Power	8	7½
North Amer. Aviation	6⅜	6⅜
North Amer. Co.	17½	17⅜
Northern Pacific	13¼	13⅜
Pacific Gas & Elec.	25	25
Pacific Lighting	39½	39½
Packard Motors	5½	5½
Paramount Pictures Inc.	13⅛	12⅝
,, ,, 1st pfd.	100	97¾
Pennsylvania Railroad	24¼	24⅝
Phillips Petroleum	40¼	38⅞
Public Service of New	35½	35⅛
Pure Oil	12⅛	12⅛
Radio Corp. of Amer.	7	7
Republic Steel Corp.	19	19
Revere Copper & Brass	15¼	16½
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	45¾	45⅞
Schenley Distillers	29½	29½
,, ,, 5½ pfd.	85 P	84 B
Sears Roebuck	65¼	65½
Shell Union Oil	17¼	17⅛
Socony Vacuum	15½	15⅝
South. Calif. Edison	20½	20¼
Southern Pacific	22½	23½
Southern Railway	13½	13¼
,, ,, $5 pfd.	20⅜	20⅜
Standard Brands	9⅝	9½
Standard Gas,	4	3⅞
,, ,, $7 pfd.	19½	19¾
Standard Oil of New	51	50½
Sterling Products	57½	59
Studebaker	6¼	6¼
Swift International	25½	25¾
Technicolor	20⅝	20⅛
Texas Corporation	42½	42
Texas Gulf Sulphur	29¾	30
Tide Water Associated Oil	14⅜	14⅜
Timken-Detroit	13⅝	13¼
Transamerica	12½	12⅜
Twentieth-Century-Fox	26½	26¼
,, ,, pfd.	33 B	33½ B
Union Carbide & Carbon	79¾	80
Union Pacific	92	94
United Aircraft (New)	20⅝	20⅛
United Air Lines Transport	9⅝	9⅛
United Corporation	3	3
,, ,, $3 cum. pfd.	31½	31½
United Gas Corporation	4⅝	4½
United Gas Improvement	10½	10¼
United Light & Power	23¾	23⅝
U.S. Industrial Alcohol	20	19
U. S. Rubber	29	29¼
,, ,, 8%	63	62⅞
U. S. Smelting, Ref.	67	67¼
U. S. Steel	87⅜	88½
Vanadium	16¾	15½
Warner Bros. Pictures	7¼	7⅛
Westinghouse Airbrakes	23½	24
Westinghouse Elec.	104	106½
Woodward Iron	15 B	14½ B
Youngstown Sheet	46⅛	47

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Rio Grande de Sul	18 B	12 A
Standard Gas & Elec.	57½	muti.
Chic. Mil. Stp.	12⅝	11¾
Int. Tel. & Tel.	82	81½

* Exd. B— Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

ALDRICH SUPPORTED BY "FINANCIAL WORLD"

New York, Oct. 16.

Whole-hearted agreement with the diagnosis of the stock market situation by Mr. Winthrop William Aldrich, Chairman of the Chase National Bank, was expressed by the "Financial World" in a leading editorial to-day.

In the course of a speech on Thursday, Mr. Aldrich stated that the recent drastic slump in Wall Street has revealed an impairment in the stock market machinery, which calls for prompt correction.

It was time, the Journal declared, it should be generally conceded that Mr. Aldrich's speech could be only interpreted as a forewarning that banking intervention, in times of stress, has become a virtual impossibility, as long as the present methods of Government control continue.—Reuter.

CAPITAL INCREASE BY MIDLAND BANK

London, Oct. 16.

The Midland Bank, which is the largest commercial banking institution in the world, with deposits of over £480,000,000, proposes to offer new £1 shares to shareholders in the proportion of one new share for every £20 of paid-up capital at a price of £2 each.

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It is assumed that the object of the increase in capital is to bring capital into closer relation with the steadily growing scale of the bank's operations.—Wireless through Reuter.

REICHSMARK QUOTATIONS

Berlin, Oct. 16.

Reichsmark quotations without guarantee:

New York 40.17, Amsterdam 72.66, London 12.346.

Paris quoted Sterling at 147.05 to 147.15.—Trans-Ocean.

BOMBAY SILVER STOCKS

Bombay, Oct. 16.

Stocks of Silver in Bombay on October 16, compared with the two previous weeks:—

Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16
18,000	17,500	17,000 Bars.

The above figures include both English Bar and Indian Mint Silver. —Reuter.

ADMINISTRATION CONSIDERS STOCK MARKET

Washington, Oct. 16.

Administration officials gave serious consideration to proposals that Government regulations be relaxed as a move to check the stock market decline. The Government interest in the situation, it was understood, was inspired not so much by appeals and demands from the financial community as by the indications that the drop in the securities prices was having an adverse effect on business and other phases of the national economy.—United Press.

RETAIL PRICES INDEX

London, Oct. 16.

At October 1 the average level of retail prices was approximately 58 per cent. above the level of July, 1914, as compared with 55 per cent. at Septemger 1 and 48 per cent. at October 1, 1936.

The corresponding percentages for food only were 43, 40 and 32 respectively.—Wireless through Reuter.

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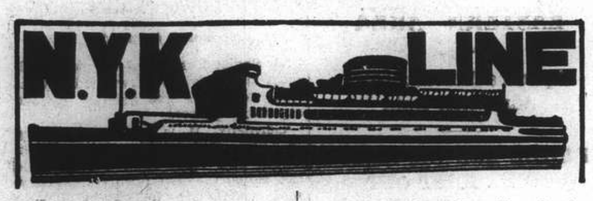

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To New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore, via Panama (From Hongkong)

NAGARA MARU	Oct. 28
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To South American (West Coast Ports) (From Kobe)

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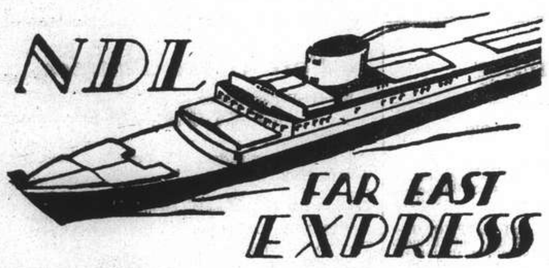

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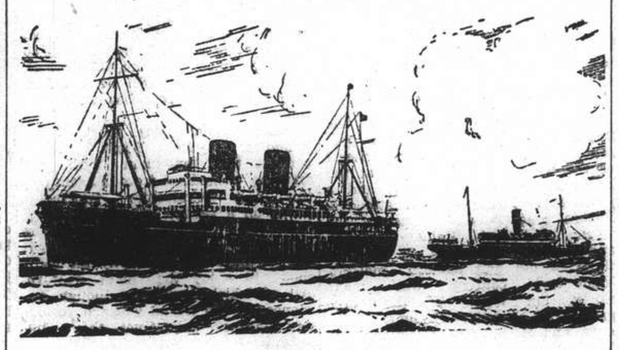

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Steamer	Leave Kobe	Arrive U.S.
ss. Pres. Jefferson	Oct. 19	Nov. 2
ss. Pres. Hoover	Oct. 28	Nov. 10
ss. Pres. McKinley	Oct. 28	Nov. 10
ss. Pres. Grant	Nov. 11	Nov. 24
ss. Pres. Coolidge	Nov. 18	Dec. 1

HONGKONG

	Leave Shanghai	Arrive Hongkong
ss. Victoria	Oct. 18	Oct. 20
ss. Tsinan	Oct. 18	Oct. 22
ss. Kwaisang	Oct. 19	Oct. 23
ss. Tjisaroea	Oct. 27	Oct. 31
ss. Conte Verde	Nov. 3	Nov. 5

	Leave Hongkong	Arrive U.S.
ss. Pres. McKinley	Oct. 23	Nov. 10
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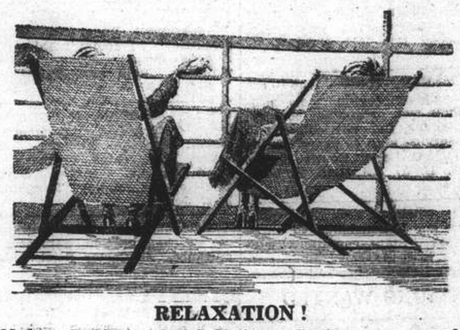

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Empress of Asia	Dec. 10	Dec. 14	Dec. 16	Dec. 18	—	Dec. 27
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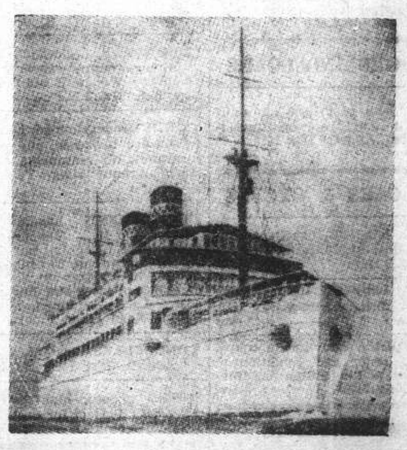

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Weather, Time and Tide

Monday, October 18, 1937 (15th day of 9th moon)

	SICCAWEI				GUTZLAFF	
	October 16		October 17			
	16.00	21.00	4.00	9.00	9.00	14.00
Barometer inches	30.11	30.17	30.18	30.27	—	—
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.09	+0.13	+0.12	+0.15	—	—
at 32 F. (,, ,, 12 hrs.)	+0.05	+0.05	+0.07	+0.10	—	—
Wind (direction)	NNW	NW	NW	NW	—	—
,, (miles per hour)	12.4	9.3	13.7	17.5	—	—
Temperature (Fahr.)	58.°5	48.°7	47.°8	58.°3	—	—
Humidity %	57	76	79	71	—	—
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	5	0	0	0	—	—
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report October 16	Mean 1937	24 hours variation	Previous average same period (64 years)
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.12	+0.06	30.14
Temp. Min. 55.°4 Max. 67.°1	61.°3	—6.°2	63.°5
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	32.99	—	39.93

Date	18/10	19/10	20/10	21/10	22/10	23/10	24/10	25/10	26/10
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.58	5.59	6.00	6.00	6.01	6.02	6.03	6.04	6.04
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.20	17.19	17.18	17.17	17.16	17.15	17.14	17.12	17.11
Moon rises at Shanghai	16.13	16.53	17.36	18.29	19.26	20.27	21.31	22.36	23.40
Moon sets at Shanghai	4.17	5.52	6.30	7.40	8.48	9.52	10.51	11.43	0.28
Flood makes Shanghai	21.25	9.52	10.28	11.45	11.55	12.39	13.05	13.50	14.51
Ebb. makes Shanghai	15.02	15.40	16.15	16.50	17.25	18.00	18.42	19.35	20.44
H.W. at Woosung Bar	11.00	11.36	0.12	0.49	13.29	14.09	14.56	15.49	16.51

MUSIC AND SCREEN

SYMPHONY CONCERT

Maestro Mario Paci and the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra presented the first symphony concert of the winter concert season at the Lyceum Theatre yesterday, and a gratifyingly large audience attended. Future concerts will consist of the works of French, Italian, Russian and other composers, as well as those of old and modern masters. Yesterday's concert was made up of the works of the three great "Bs" of music—Brahms, Beethoven and Bach. The selection from Bach consisted firstly of the choral "O Man Thy Grevious Sin Bemcan," instrumented by V. Gui, and though rendered in capable manner seemed to be a trifle sombre for the opening number of a concert season. This was followed by a Bach suite consisting of "Anglaise," "Sarabande," "Gavotte," "Menuet," and "Gigue," in which the orchestra seemed to have got more fully into its stride, so to speak; Bach is not always to the palate of concert audiences, who not unnaturally prefer listening to beautiful music to sitting back and merely appreciating its score. Brahms's Symphony No. 1 in C minor (Op. 68) was the next offering, and proved to be closer to the audience's sympathy, the applause at the end being spontaneous and genuine, whereas at the end of the Bach choral, for instance, it had been rather desultory and, perhaps, polite. Beethoven is generally supposed to be a rather awe-inspiring composer, but the choice of the Triple Concerto (Op. 56) in C. proved to be a happy one. Soloists in the rendering of this, one of the composer's lesser known works, were Professor A. Foa (violin), Mr. J. Ullstein (violincello), and Mr. P. Beriulin (pianoforte), and the applause they received was more than deserved. The orchestra, under the capable direction of Maestro Paci, supported them in fine style, and helped them to render this work in the delicate yet strong manner that it demands. —F.E.G.

"CALIFORNIA STRAIGHT AHEAD"

Biff Smith	John Wayne
Mary Porter	Louise Latimer
Corrigan	Robert McWade
James Gifford	Theodore von Eltz
Harrison	Tully Marshall
Charlie Porter	Emerson Treacy
Fish McCorkle	Harry Allen
Padula	LeRoy Mason
Mrs. Porter	Grace Goodall
Huggins	Olaf Hytten
Clancy	Monty Vandergift
Secretary	Lorin Raker

Two rival shipments of aeroplanes and aeroplane parts due for the Orient in the Chichi Maru, and a thrilling race across the American continent, one shipment by train the other by lorry, form the basis of the plot for "California Straight Ahead," which opened at the Metropol Theatre yesterday. Messrs. John Wayne and Theodore von Eltz are the driving powers in this race for a contract totalling $1,000,000. Perhaps histrionic honours go, however, to those sterling players, both of the stage and screen, Messrs. Robert McWade and Tully Marshall. Their degrees of venom are a match for each other and lend a distinct relief to the picture. Miss Louise Latimer provides the romantic interest. The outstanding "shots" of the film are beautiful expressions of the camera's art—a railway snowplow and a highway snowplow. Taken from various angles, these bits of photography might well be incorporated in a film library.—F.L.T.

"MR. DODD TAKES THE AIR"

Claude Dodd	Kenny Baker
Sniffer Hurst	Frank McHugh
Mme Moro	Alice Brady
Jessica Stofford	Gertrude Michael
Marjorie Day	Jane Wyman
Lidin	John Eldredge
Gateway	Henry O'Neill
Doc Quinn	Harry Davenport
Hiram P. Doremus	Ferris Taylor
Information Desk Girl	Linda Perry

A film entitled "Mr. Dodd Takes the Air" opened at the Grand Theatre yesterday. and it's "the tops." That is about all one really needs to say about this glorious musical comedy, for any further panagyrics would only read like film publicity to the last "colossal." The play was written by the author of "Mr. Deeds goes to Town" and those who laughed and loved that film will enjoy "Mr. Dodd," played by the silver-voiced Mr. Kenny Baker, idol of the American radio world. Mr. Mervyn Le Roy directed the film, which is another reason why it is good. And Mr. Frank McHugh, Miss Alice Brady and Miss Gertrude Michael are in the supporting cast, three more reasons for its excellence. In addition, there is a charming newcomer, Miss Wyman, who makes the most of about the most difficult role in the film. The plot is somewhat reminiscent of "Mr. Dodd," being on the lines of small-town boy makes good—plausible lines, let it be stressed, despite several coincidences. And so—be sure to see this film, for worries, troubles and fears will be banished before the first reel has fully unwound.

There is only one short, "The Romance of Bob Burns." Don't confuse this gentleman with the amusing comedian from Arkansas—this is a technicolour two-reeler based on a version of certain merry episodes in the life of Robert Burns and besides being a clever little production puts one in exactly the right mood to enjoy the main feature. All of which sounds as though audiences at the Grand Theatre yesterday enjoyed themselves—they did. —Z.G.A

"MOONLIGHT SONATA"

Eric Molander	Charles Farrell
Baroness Lindenborg	Mari eTempest
Ingrid	Barbara Greene
Mario de la Costa	Eric Portman
Dr. Broman	Graham Browne
Margit, his niece	Queenie Leonard
Bishop	Lawrence Hanray
Child	Binkie Stuart
Club Members	Fisher White, H. G. Stoker
Nils, Butler	Bryan Powley
Anna, Housekeeper	Sybil Brooke
with Ignace Jan Paderewski	

The genius of Thomas Alva Edison made possible the miracle of recording for posterity the events of our time. Not the least important is the opportunity thus afforded to millions the world over of hearing and seeing such a supreme artist as Ignace Jan Paderewski, who was finally persuaded to appear in his first and only film, "Moonlight Sonata," which opened at the Nanking Theatre yesterday.

Music-lovers, who will see this film because of his presence alone, will go again to hear the ethereal beauty of the first movement of Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata," the fire and brilliance of Liszt's "Hungarian Rhapsody," the exquisite delicacy of Paderewski's own "Minuet" and Schubert-Taussig's stirring "Marche Militaire," as only the magic of the world's greatest pianist could bring out.

The record of over 3,000 recitals given during a lengthy and remarkable career had robbed critics of every superlative in describing the artistry of Paderewski who, at the age of 78, still has no peer. One thing this writer must remark on is the reposeful strength and dignity of the master when playing. Such a contrast to the affected and eccentric mannerisms which mar the performances of many talented musicians!

The picture itself is in harmony with the charm of Paderewsk's own personality, and when the incomparable Miss Marie Tempest is found in the cast, it is a guarantee of delightful and polished entertainment. A poignant touch is added by the brief appearance of this noted actress's late husband, Mr. Graham Browne.

A story of the trials of young love brought to a happy conclusion by the enchantment of the master's music, it brings back to the screen Mr. Charles Farrell, who rose to cinema heights together with Miss Janet Gaynor. Maturity has but enhanced his charm and it is hoped he will be seen more often.

Miss Barbara Greene, as the granddaughter of Baroness Lindenborg (Miss Marie Tempest) is as lovely a young person seen on the screen for some time. And she acts and speaks well. In fact, the picture is notable for the fine diction of the players.

A travelogue and musical short, which would make very little difference if missed, open the programme. —A.C.

"POPOLO D'ITALIA" ATTACK ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH

Milan, Oct. 16.

The "Popolo d'Italia" to-day attacked President Roosevelt's Chicago address bitterly.

The newspaper claimed that the United States was furnishing arms to the Valencia Government.

"In September alone, the United States exported arms and munitions to the total of 400,000,000 lire," it was charged. "Of this amount, 200,000,000 lire worth of munitions were absorbed by Soviet Russia—and reshipped to Red Spain."—United Press.

MRS. A. HICKS SEVERELY INJURED

Hongkong, Oct. 17.

Mrs. A. Hicks, widow of the late editor of the Hongkong Telegraph, and sister-in-law of Mr. S. J. Hicks of Shanghai, suffered a fractured skull here to-day when she was knocked down by a motorcycle. The motorcycle was driven by Lieutenant-Commander R. C. Hovenden, also of the Tamar, was in the sidecar.

Mrs. Hicks' condition was not regarded as serious, but Lieutenant-Commander Britton was gravely injured.—United Press.

RULES REVISED FOR EASTERN AREA

Japanese Military Issue Admission Data

CHINESE ARE GENERALLY TO BE KEPT OUT

Revised regulations governing the control of admission into the Hongkew and Yangtszepoo area over the Garden Bridge were issued yesterday by the Japanese military authorities. The rules, which are not fundamentally different from those formerly in force, are given in full below:—

(1) With the exception of those already in the districts or coming under the following categories, no Chinese shall be permitted to enter these areas.

a.—Chinese coolies engaged in public utility services, namely gas, water, electricity, telephone, etc., whose entry into the areas have duly been authorized by the fighting services. When entering these men must be led by either Japanese or foreign employees of public utility services and they must have suitable distinguishing marks (such as red coats for Chinese coolies of P.W.D.) approved by the Japanese fighting services.

b.—Chinese servants in the employ of Japanese or foreigners residing in Hongkew or Yangtszepoo areas and are in possession of permits issued by the Japanese fighting services.

c.—Those in possession of special permits issued by the services, such as the staff office of the Third Fleet, Headquarters of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces in Shanghai, Naval Landing Party Headquarters or Commanders of detachments engaged in garrison duty in the Settlement. These men shall invariably be accompanied by their Japanese or foreign employers.

Chinese Firemen Allowed

1. Apart from those coming under the above categories, no Chinese shall be permitted in the areas in question irrespective of the fact that they are accompanied by either Japanese or foreigners.

2. Chinese firemen and ambulance attendants on duty are allowed to enter into the area and out in case of emergency.

3. With regard to those Chinese Constables, Warders, Clerks, etc., who are already performing duties in the areas garrisoned by Japanese troops and who are in possession of identification cards issued by S.M.P., the admission of these men and their number shall be subject to discretion on the part of the fighting services.

(2) In the case of foreigners (Chinese excluded) only those coming under the following categories shall be allowed in these areas:—

a.—Members of the S.M.P., S.V.C. and the Fire Brigade.

b.—Members of foreign defence forces stationed in Shanghai. These men must be in uniform and satisfy the officers on barrier duty that they are actually engaged in official business.

c.—Officials of foreign countries, employees of the S.M.C. and public utility companies. They must be in possession of valid permits issued by Japanese fighting services..

4.—Those in possession of special passes issued by the fighting services.

e.—Foreigners who have obtained a temporary permit valid only for the day on the plea of special circumstances duly attested to by their respective consuls. These applications shall be submitted to the Japanese Consulate-General, with the approval of their respective consulates, and they will then be referred to the Commander of the forces stationed in the area. In the event of the application being approved, the Japanese Consulate-General will issue a temporary permit to be returned the same day at the Garden Bridge barrier as soon as the business is over.

Diplomatic Exemption

Members of the foreign diplomatic corps accompanied by representatives of the Japanese Consular Police shall be exempted from the above restrictions.

The foregoing rules shall also apply to foreign chauffeurs and they must be in possession of permits issued by the Army or Navy or temporary passes issued by the Japanese Consulate-General.

(3) Areas open to foreigners and restrictions regarding hours.

a.—The areas open to authorized visitors are bounded on the west by Chapoo Road, north by Haining Road, east along Hongkew Creek down to Hanbury Road Bridge and then along Hanbury Road. Tongshan Road, Muirhead Road, Ward Road (Ward Road Gaol included), Dalny Road, Baikal Road, thence south along Yangtszepoo Creek up to Pingliang Road Bridge and then along Pingliang Road, Kweiyang Road and Liangchow Road and south by the Whangpoo and Soochow Creek up to North Szechuen Road.

b.—Entry of foreigners to the areas mentioned above shall be confined to hours between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily (Shanghai standard time). However, special permission will be given to those proceeding to and from the N.Y.K. Wayside Wharf when the N.Y.K. express steamers enter or leave port or the Japanese Telegraph Office for the purpose of despatching telegrams. Where exigencies warrant such steps, these persons shall be admitted to the areas outside the above time limit.

America Will Attend Nine Power Talks

(Continued from page 5)

both Soviet Russia and Germany will most probably be forwarded invitations to attend the meeting by the signatory powers.

Germany, it is rumoured, owing to her considerable interests in China and considering that she did not support Japan openly like Italy, will endeavour to obtain Japan's participation in the conference, and hence hopes are entertained here that the Brussels meeting might become a real peace conference.

Two Tendencies

The main European chancelleries here believe that the Japanese Cabinet is divided into two tendencies in connection with Japan's participation in the Nine Power conference: first, the Ministers close to the General Staff reject the possibility of slowing down hostilities before having definitely crushed the Nanking Army; on the other hand, the remainder fear economic repercussions caused by a lengthy war, and are willing to go to Brussels hoping to get advantageous armistice terms.

Both in London and in Paris, well-informed circles are of the opinion that favourable grounds for a Sino-Japanese accord might be reached owing to eventual mediation by the powers despite the fact that Chinese diplomacy still wishes, apparently, to base its action upon the famous "Chiang Kai-shek conditions."

These circles added that in the event of Japan's absence from the meeting, China will take the opportunity to weaken Tokyo's diplomatic position, and recalled that the League of Nations' efforts were not quite in vain, since the condemnation of the bombing of open cities had some effect upon the Japanese military command, while the promise of "moral assistance" to China strengthened the position of the conservatives elements in Japan.

China is fully aware, they concluded, that the members of the League are opposed to the application of sanctions, but she still hopes to obtain an oil embargo against Japan if the hostilities continue, this embargo being the main object aimed at by Chinese diplomacy.

It is generally trusted the Japanese conservative quarters will gain ground in Tokyo, thereby lending hope that mediation efforts by the powers might prove fruitful.—Havas.

WASHINGTON READY TO MEDIATE

President Roosevelt Speaks Out to Journalists

Washington, Oct. 17.

The United States is ready to act as mediator in the Sino-Japanese conflict if conditions become favourable for such a step, President Roosevelt indicated yesterday in a press interview.

The President told the journalists not to attempt to guess the future policy of the United States, thereby confirming the belief that the policy of the country will be guided entirely by circumstances.

It is believed that the American delegation to the Nine-Power conference will be instructed to seek a means of effecting a conciliation in the Sino-Japanese conflict.

Well-informed circles here, however, are not very optimistic as to the outcome of the Brussels conference, State Department officials declared yesterday that several obstacles may crop up in the event that the delegates are unable to find a solution on the lines of mediation, as Washington may wish to settle the conflict by concerted action, although no precise project has been considered yet.

Official quarters in the capital expressed the opinion that although the Mediterranean crisis does not directly interest the United States, this problem must be settled before Washington can specify its plans for international co-operation in the Far East.

In conclusion, they declared that chances for easing the tension in the Far East will be strengthened if the non-Intervention committee in London succeeds in bringing about a relaxation in the European situation. —Havas.

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